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LABOUR BACKING THEIR OWN DAVE

Ousted Kent MPs see David Miliband as the man to lead party after Gordon Brown's election defeat resignation

DAVID Miliband has won the backing of former Kent MPs in his fight to succeed Gordon Brown as leader of the Labour Party.

The former foreign secretary was the first to throw his hat in the ring after Mr Brown's resignation on Tuesday, and the decision has been welcomed by fellow party members in the Garden of England.

Should the 44-year-old win the leadership contest, he will have until 2015 to rebuild the Labour Party and mount a serious election challenge – unless the new Con-Lib coalition fails before then.

Other possible contenders for the party's top job include Mr Miliband's younger brother and former energy secretary Ed Miliband, ex-education secretary Ed Balls and the out-

By **STEVE KNIGHT**

going chancellor Alistair Darling.

Gwyn Prosser, who lost his Dover seat to the Conservatives last week, gave his backing to the elder sibling, while slating Mr Balls.

He said: "David has shown himself to be a highly effective performer. He has good leadership skills and has done a great job as foreign secretary, but most of all he is able to articulate some of the most complex issues. That's essential these days."

"On the other hand, Ed Balls has some unfortunate characteristics. I was not at all happy with the way he stigmatised some of the very talented schools in Kent [as part of the National Challenge programme] and in my old constituency."

"I've never been able to get a good rapport with the guy and that's one

of the weaknesses Mr Brown had.

"He wasn't interested in communicating with the backbenchers."

Before his election to Parliament in 2001, David Miliband had served as Tony Blair's head of policy and was credited with playing a major part in New Labour's landslide victory of 1997.

He served in ministerial posts for the first few years of his tenure until being appointed environment secretary in 2006 and foreign secretary a year later.

"I think David is dynamic and an intellectual heavyweight who would have a broad appeal," said former Chatham and Aylesford MP Jonathan Shaw. "He would be more than a match for the new Prime Minister and his deputy."

Despite refusing to reveal his pick for the vacant leadership, the former

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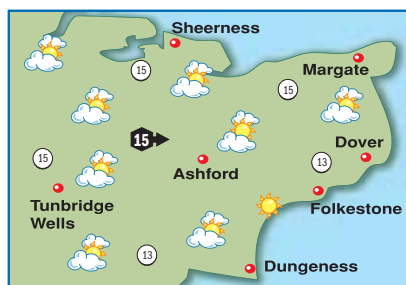
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Around Britain

		°C	°F			°C	°F
Aberdeen	fair	13	55	London	cloudy	16	61
Belfast	fair	14	57	Liverpool	fair	13	55
Birmingham	drizzle	15	59	Manchester	rain	14	57
B'mouth	drizzle	15	59	Newcastle	fair	15	59
Bristol	drizzle	13	55	Norwich	fair	16	61
Cardiff	rain	15	59	Oxford	cloudy	16	61
Cork	cloudy	14	57	Southsea	drizzle	15	59
Edinburgh	fair	14	57	S'hampton	drizzle	15	59
Glasgow	drizzle	13	55	Southport	fair	13	55
Isle of Man	fair	13	55	Swansea	rain	13	55
Leeds	fair	13	55	Torquay	drizzle	13	55

Sun & moon

Sunrise	5.01am	Sunset	8.43pm	Lighting up times:
Moonrise	6.25am	Moonset	11.49pm	8.43pm to 5.00am

High Tides

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Dover	00.46 6.5 13.16 6.5	01.30 6.5 14.04 6.4
Margate	01.59 4.7 14.12 4.5	02.41 4.7 14.55 4.5
St Mary's	06.51 5.4 19.09 5.5	07.33 5.3 19.54 5.4

Week ahead

monday Fairly cloudy. max 17C min 8C	thursday Sunny spells. max 22C min 8C
tuesday Mostly cloudy. max 18C min 8C	friday Sunny spells. max 21C min 8C
wednesday Clouding over. max 21C min 10C	saturday Sunny spells. max 19C min 8C

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Third runway cancellation raises spectre of Boris Island

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THE cancellation of plans for a third runway at Heathrow has led to fresh concerns over the controversial Thames Estuary airport scheme being pursued.

As part of this week's historic coalition agreement, both the Conservatives and Lib Dems announced they will not allow the third runway, nor any additional ones at Gatwick or Stansted.

The news came just days after London Mayor Boris Johnson said he still wanted a Thames Estuary airport, despite leaving the much criticised scheme off the capital's transport strategy.

Mr Johnson believes a £40 billion island airport could be built off Sheppey within 10 years, but his plans have been attacked by politicians, environmentalists and the public.

Strategy

Despite his support for the proposal, the Conservative mayor made no mention of it while launching his transport strategy for London last week.

However, it was later revealed Mr Johnson still intends to pursue the project – nicknamed Boris Island – which he sees as a viable alternative to a third runway at Heathrow.

A spokesman said: "The Mayor was asked about the estuary plan at the launch – and the reason why it wasn't included was because it wasn't allowed to be.

"His remit doesn't cover anything outside the London boundary.

"But he gave an unequivocal statement that it's not dead and I'm sure we'll be hearing more about it in future."

Last January a feasibility study conducted by Medway Council planning officers concluded that such an airport would be too far from London, too near a major liquid natural gas port and would harm the land-



ISLE BE BACK: The capital's Tory Mayor Boris Johnson still favours estuary airport

scape. The report also pointed out that Kent International Airport at Manston already has one of the longest runways in Europe and could be connected to the existing high-speed rail service at a fraction of what it would cost with Boris Island.

A Medway Council official said: "Although it seems promising that the Mayor of London has not included his proposals for a Thames Estuary airport in his new transport strategy, I believe he really needs to clarify his position.

"We have said from the off that this airport is a pie-in-the-sky scheme, and we will continue to be vigilant and campaign against it until it is dropped."

Kent County Council leader Cllr Paul Carter has spoken out repeatedly against Mayor Johnson's plans.

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Labour's Dave

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Gillingham and Rainham MP Paul Clark said both the Milibands and could do a good job.

He added: "There's a wide range of talent there and they both have their strengths. They are equally capable and possess a great number of positive assets. All the potential leaders would no doubt bring different things to the party, but the critical thing is that we have a leader who is energetic and who has a vision of how we should go forward."

David Miliband is the bookmakers' early favourite to become Labour's next leader, a role currently being filled on a temporary basis by Mr Brown's former deputy, Harriet Harman.

Mrs Harman has ruled herself out of the leadership race, as have other early favourites Jack Straw, Yvette Cooper and Alan Johnson.

The decision by ex-home secretary Mr Johnson was a disappointment to former Thanet South MP Dr Stephen Ladyman, who had earlier backed him for the job.

"I'm hoping he will change his mind," he said. "Alan has the common touch and can communicate well with ordinary people. He would put us back in touch with voters."

Dr Ladyman said Ed Miliband was his second choice for the job due to his "bubbly personality" and ability to speak well in public.

Powerful

He added: "During the war it was important for party leaders to be good at making powerful speeches because of radio. After that it was important for them to write well for the newspapers and now it's for them to look good on TV."

Former Sittingbourne and Sheppey MP Derek Wyatt said his pick for the job was philosophical left-winger Jon Cruddas, who was not "tainted" by being a former member of Mr Brown's cabinet.

Ex-Medway MP Bob Marshall-Andrews said he would decide who his favourite was when the list of candidates was finalised, while former Dartford MP Howard Stoate declined to comment.

Mr Brown announced his resignation as Labour leader and Prime Minister on Tuesday, with the Queen giving Tory leader David Cameron permission to form a coalition Government shortly after.

All former Kent Labour MPs agreed it was the right decision for Mr Brown to step down, with Mr Prosser revealing he was not surprised the electorate did not take to him.

"There's no doubt a lot of the swing against us in the South East was due to people just not liking him," he said. "It wasn't our policies they didn't take to, it was him."

"Politics should be played at a higher level than that, but that's what happens when you have TV debates and 24-hour news coverage.

"It grieves me to say this, but there's a certain amount of tension between people in the South East and Scottish politicians.

"It's not xenophobia, but they look at him as this Scot who is clumsy in his ways, who made some mistakes and who wasn't even elected as PM in the first place."



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EDUCATION chiefs at County Hall have been accused of bullying headteachers into not taking part in a boycott of this week's SATs tests, **writes Steve Knight.**

Only 24 of more than 400 Kent primary schools took part in the boycott, which was organised by the National Union of Teachers (NUT) and the National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT).

Both unions believe pupils suffer as a result of too much emphasis being placed on the Key Stage Two tests, solely because they have a bearing on official league tables.

NUT Kent division secretary John Walder said more county council-run primary schools would have taken part in the boycott had they not been threatened with disciplinary action beforehand.

He said: "A letter had gone out to heads and I can't say how much I disapprove of its contents. It was a threat that made them believe they would be in breach of contract and subject to disciplinary measures if they took part in the boycott, and the heads were understandably afraid of what they would do."

"But this is absolute nonsense. The NUT and NAHT spent a great deal of time making

SATs boycott heads 'bullied by LEA letter'

sure this boycott was legal and followed all the requirements of the law – and it did.

"Elsewhere in the letter this is recognised, but it started off with a bare threat and it frightened them."

"Headteachers are not the free agents they used to be and are well down the pecking order in the education service these days, so I'm not surprised they were rather hesitant to stick their heads above the parapet."

"But the disappointing participation rate

does not in any way undermine the educational arguments that led to the boycott."

"If you talk to heads and teachers privately, they will agree that they disapprove of the tests because they are not educationally justifiable."

Introduced in 1995, the Key Stage Two SATs – officially National Curriculum Tests – are undertaken by pupils sitting their final year of primary education.

The results of the multiple-choice exams

have a large influence on where a school finishes in official league tables, which Mr Walder says leads to children spending too much time learning how to tackle them and not enough on other subjects.

He added: "The result of all this undue attention is pupils spend entire terms practising for SATs, which is frankly scandalous."

"Children are not in school to satisfy the vanity of teachers, heads or the local education authority."

"They are there to receive a quality education, but in many cases they're being robbed of that."

Of the 66 primary schools due to hold SATs in Medway this week, only two took part in the boycott.

There is no evidence of Medway Council sending out a similarly worded letter.

KCC managing director for education Rosalind Turner said: "We support SATs at Key Stage Two as a measure for children and parents on progress achieved at primary school."

"We encouraged all our headteachers, teachers and governors to ignore the ballot and implement SATs as normal."

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Pop legends Blondie join Hop Farm Festival bill

NEW wave stars Blondie have been added to the Hop Farm Festival's bulging bill of all-time greats.

The timeless Debbie Harry-fronted outfit – famed for hits such as Sunday Girl, Heart of Glass, Atomic and Hanging on the Telephone – will perform on the first day of the Paddock Wood weekend, taking to the stage before headliner Van Morrison.

Los Lobos, Imelda May and Damien Dempsey have also been added to that night's main stage line-up.

The following day will see Bob Dylan, former Kinks frontman Ray Davies and Libertines singer-songwriter Pete Doherty grace the same stage.

They will be joined by Mumford & Sons, Seasick Steve, Laura Marling, The Magic Numbers, Foy Vance and Johnny Flynn.

Hop Farm organisers have also named a host of second-stage performers.

These include Afro Celt Sound System, Richard Thompson, Peter Green & Friends and Sweet Billy Pilgrim (all Friday); and Devendra Banhart, Jim Jones Revue, Tunng, Medway blues guitarist Pete Molinari and Jon Allen (all Saturday).

Festival founder Vince Power said the latest additions had already gone down well with Kent music lovers.

"It's fantastic that we continue to see such a positive response from fans," he said.

"With the latest additions to the bill plus the



Debbie Harry and Blondie

second stage, and a third to be announced soon, there'll be something for everyone.

"For the third year running, there'll be no sponsorship and branding and no VIP area."

"We are trying to put the emphasis on music. It will be a weekend to remember."

The Hop Farm Festival will be in Paddock Wood on Friday and Saturday, July 2-3.

It includes three stages, a five-a-side celebrity football tournament, comedy and a fun fair. A spokesman said: "The festival offers boutique camping, top-notch food and traditional ales, plus legendary artists."

"It is an event for festival-goers, returning live music to its roots, where music lovers turn up and enjoy the same experience as every other ticket holder."

Friday day tickets are priced £45. Entry to the Saturday alone is £65 and a two-day ticket is available for £110.

A two-night camping ticket is priced at £25. Visit www.hopfarmfestival.com for more information.

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The Garden of England campaign has brought together Visit Kent, M&C Saatchi and top photographer Jean-Luc Benard

Controlled explosion after suspect package is found

BOMB disposal teams destroyed a suspicious package found in a supermarket car park on Thursday.

The Army's ordnance disposal team carried out a controlled explosion on the package found near recycling bins at Sainsbury's in Quarry Wood retail park, Aylesford.

Refuse workers discovered the suspect

package at about 8.10am. Surrounding roads were closed as a precaution and police are investigating the incident.

The supermarket is on the same estate where fire destroyed a Homebase branch on May 1. The Larkfield branch of B&Q was also targeted by arsonists on the same day.

Police are appealing for information.

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DAVID Cockburn has been appointed interim chief executive of Kent County Council. Currently the authority's executive director of strategy, economic development and ICT, Mr Cockburn will take up the reins until Peter Gilroy's official successor, Katherine Kerswell, starts on July 4. Mrs Kerswell will officially join KCC on June 7, but will spend her first three weeks on an induction programme to get to know the county.

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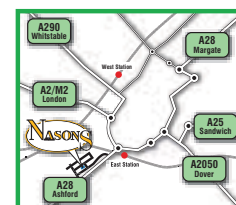


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CLEAN SWEEP: Main Sands at Ramsgate

Council is flying with most Blue Flags in the UK

THANET will have more Blue Flags flying over its beaches this summer than anywhere else in Britain.

The council said the success comes after a massive effort to keep the sands clean in time for the seasonal rush of another year of 'staycationers' as the recession continues to affect holiday plans.

The flags are Europe's standard to show which beaches meet specifications set down by Keep Britain Tidy. The council revealed a total of nine will fly in the area.

They were awarded to Minnis Bay, St Mildred's Bay and West Bay in Westgate; Botany Bay and Joss Bay in Broadstairs and Ramsgate Main Sands.

They have all kept the awards received last summer. Minnis Bay has held a Blue Flag since 2002, while West Bay has been awarded one for the sixth year running, plus St Mildred's retains its flag for a fifth year.

Westbrook Bay, Margate Main Sands and Stone Bay in Broadstairs have won back the accolade they were last awarded in 2008.

Tourism

Blue Flags are only handed out to those beaches that have achieved the highest quality in water, facilities, safety, environmental education and management.

Viking Bay received the Quality Coast Award for the fourth year running.

To achieve this award, beaches have to meet strict criteria, including clean sands, being free of litter and dog fouling, have good access with good facilities and with guideline water quality.

Director of environmental services at Thanet District Council Mark Seed said: "We're delighted to have more Blue Flags this year than any other council across the UK, which shows just how seriously we take the condition of our beautiful beaches."

"It's a great boost to our tourism and a wonderful way to start another summer season."

Keep Britain Tidy chief executive Phil Barton said: "Our South East of England beaches are fabulous places to visit and that's official."

KCC faces huge payouts as gran wins court case

By **STEVE KNIGHT**

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A GRANDMOTHER who fought to be paid foster carers' rates to look after her granddaughter has won a landmark court case against Kent County Council.

The 64-year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, was receiving just £63.56 a week to provide for the teenager – more than £80 less than the average foster parent is paid by the authority.

She started legal action against KCC five years ago, with High Court judge Justice Black ruling in her favour late last week.

Solicitors in the case predict the authority could now be forced to shell out hundreds of thousands of pounds in back payments to other relatives who may come forward as a result of the verdict.

Nigel Priestley, who represented the grandmother on behalf of Ridley & Hall, said KCC had built up an "elaborate system" that stopped family carers receiving their rightful payments.

Implications

He added: "Kent is a very big council and holds itself out as being a model authority, but this decision suggests they are less than model and utterly determined to ensure that unless people seek legal advice then they won't get the money they are entitled to."

"This could have big implications for many carers in Kent, and if they come forward then it will have significant financial implications for KCC. The cost to the authority would clearly run into tens of thousands of pounds, but I strongly suspect we're actually talking about six-figure sums here."

Mr Priestley revealed how the grandmother – referred to only as GM – started looking after her granddaughter in late 2004, when social services revealed the youngster was on the verge of being placed into care.

However, he said KCC refused to pay her the full foster carers' rate because the authority took the view that it was a private arrangement between the girl's mother and grandfather.

Mr Priestley added: "The council argued they had no duty to the child even though their fingerprints were all over the case."

"They put forward the radical suggestion they had no significant duty to a child they had placed with a relative and denied she should be treated as a 'looked-after' child."

"The judge rejected this argument."

A KCC spokesman said he was unable to comment because the authority plans to appeal against the decision.

The grandmother said: "I put myself out and expected the local authority to do the same, but they did not. Teenagers are very expensive to bring up – every parent knows that."

"I'm very sad that Kent wants to challenge this decision. It shows they have no understanding of the financial impact caring for a challenging teenager has on a pensioner like me."

The Grandparents' Association said it was concerned about the number of grandparents throughout the country who were looking after children without support.

Chief executive Lynn Chesterman said: "This is all too common. Too often, as in this case, they are struggling to cope financially – living on a pension, bringing up children and simply not having enough money."

New police chief named this week

A PERMANENT replacement for former Chief Constable Mike Fuller will be appointed this week.

Kent Police Authority officials will interview four candidates over Wednesday and Thursday, with an announcement made on either Thursday or Friday.

Those up for the £150,000-a-year job include current Sussex Police deputy Giles York, 43; Norfolk deputy Ian Learmonth, 52; Suffolk Chief Constable Simon Ash, 49; and Lancashire deputy Alfred Hitchcock, 51.

A fifth candidate – former Hampshire deputy Simon Cole – pulled out of the race last month when he was appointed Chief Constable of Leicestershire Constabulary.

Mr Fuller left in March after being made chief inspector of the Crown Prosecution Service. His deputy Adrian Leppard has been filling in since then.

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Yourkenttv watched artist Rod McIntosh create a new artwork using plaster and a volunteer

Coroner delays inquest into teen killed by drug overdose

AN INQUEST into the drug-induced death of a 14-year-old boy has been delayed until July.

Coroner Roger Hatch announced at a hearing on Tuesday that it was too early to investigate how Gravesend youngster Edward Barry died because he was awaiting delivery of a "further report".

The teenager's body was found in an apartment in Parrock Street, Gravesend, in the early hours of Friday, November 20, last year.

A toxicology report showed the Gravesend Grammar School pupil had traces of the drugs methadone and diazepam in his system, and

his cause of death was listed as "overdose".

Edward was being supported by Kent County Council's children's social services department before he died, and the authority has since launched an investigation into his death.

Following the tragedy his parents released a statement to the press, saying Edward was a "very much-loved son, brother and friend".

School friends set up tribute groups on the social networking site Facebook, while flowers with messages of condolence were also left outside the house where his body was found.



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BY JANE CONNOLLY

Pupils inspiration behind teacher's reason to write

AUTHOR Anthea Church believes the humour and heartbreak of real life has a place in all good fiction.

With her new novel, *Sleeping with Mozart*, the writer from Tunbridge Wells explores the aftermath of a love affair gone wrong and the unexpected turns that life can take.

Although Church stressed none of her characters are based on real people and the story is not autobiographical, she did delve into her own experiences when giving life to her main character.

Dorcas is a young teacher who fears her heart has been irretrievably broken and, while she struggles to forget her lover, she has to deal with the impending terror of a school inspection.

"I think that all good writing does stem from real experience," Church, 52, said.

"I don't believe that even if you write historical fiction, there can't be something of yourself in it.

"I've been teaching for 20 years and my experience with children and my affection for them is in that book. The love element is also based on my experiences.

"It's not a true story, but I'm familiar with those feelings, although I've created a character that is more naive than I am and has a sort of innocent outlook on the world."

Church is head of the English and drama department at Kent College, Pembury, and has written several non-fiction books, but *Sleeping with Mozart* is her first fiction novel and the story is told with humour and insight.

"I think everything in life is worth writing about, the heaven and the hell, and fiction is the best place to do that," she said.

"That's why it's such a powerful medium

and I love teaching it as well. A lot of children love writing for that reason and the younger they are, the more their autobiography is thinly veiled.

"On numerous occasions, I have found they are writing as an outlet for a personal trauma.

"But I also say to them that when they give in their homework, it's being published and I am their readership. It can't just be an outpouring of feeling, it's got to be crafted and that's a very useful way of getting people to stand back from their experience."

'I think everything in life is worth writing about – the heaven and hell – and fiction is the best place to do that'

Although her occupation restricts her time to write, unlike many authors, she is no hurry to give up the day job.

"I find teaching and being with children incredibly rejuvenating and they are what keeps the eccentric in me alive. To not teach and not be with them daily would be a source of grief to me," she said.

"Kent College is the most outstanding school and it really celebrates the individual. It embraces every type of girl, whether they think they are winners or losers and they have all inspired me."

• *Sleeping with Mozart* is published by Virago and priced at £12.99.

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REJUVENATING: Anthea Church believes teaching keeps the eccentric in her alive

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Paedophile banned from Asia

Detectives fear sex offender planned to 'buy a wife'

By **CHRIS MURPHY**

A NOTORIOUS sex offender has been banned from visiting an entire continent.

The foreign travel order prevents paedophile Frederick Stephens from going to Asia, where it is believed he intended to 'buy a wife'.

He had been part of the horrific Wonderland Club that was smashed by shocked detectives in 1998 when 107 men around the world were arrested for 'trading' photos of sexually abused children over the internet.

This new order prevents the 55-year-old from going anywhere in the Far East for three years, thanks to the efforts of worried detectives.

The Margate father-of-two is also forbidden from entering Turkey. It follows a civil action at Canterbury Magistrates Court.

The case will not be reviewed again until at least May, 2013.

Officers lodged the application after Stephens went to the Philippines last year without informing police, breaking a stipulation of his sentence for the distribution of indecent images of children in 2001.

A judge jailed him for 14 months last October for the breach, so he was brought to Canterbury from Wandsworth prison for the hearing last Tuesday.

A police source said: "The judge took a very dim view of his attitude to not letting us know of his travel plans. He was not banned from travelling anywhere in the world, but

he had to inform police of his plans, and he didn't. That means he is back behind bars."

Last month, the law was changed meaning police can now apply for a travel ban under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 for UK-registered sex offenders for up to five years.

East Kent Det Chief Insp Paul Fotheringham said: "This is the first order of its type in the county and undoubtedly one of the first in the country after the introduction of this revised legislation.

"My staff have made the most of the new powers and, as a result, we have more control and the ability to continually monitor an individual who poses a potential risk."

Depraved library

Stephens was jailed in 2001 for child sex offences following the international investigation into the Wonderland Club by the then National Crime Squad into the distribution of indecent images of children.

Stephens, then 46, was nicknamed 'Guess Who' and 'Me Again' in the club that operated as a sort of electronic library of depraved images. The cabbie, who lived in Hayes, west London at the time, had 8,920 obscene images and 643 videos on his home computer.

His counsel Justin Rouse told the court he was a "good father and a loving family man" who was "filled with self loathing" for what he had done. He was jailed for a year.

Another Kent man, Gavin Seagers, then 29, was nicknamed 'Hopeful' in Wonderland.

The computer consultant and Sea Cadets youth leader, from Dartford, had long internet conversations about abducting, raping and torturing children.

He was in possession of 17,000 disturbing images of children and jailed for two years.

Foreign sex tourists have long been a scourge of many Far Eastern countries, where youngsters not more than children in some cases, are forced to sell themselves as sex slaves to support their families.

The plight of the children came to the fore in recent years when former pop star Gary Glitter was kicked out of several countries.



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Drugs battle mum loses cancer fight

A MOTHER-of-two has lost her battle with cancer just weeks after winning an appeal for NHS funding for a life-prolonging drug.

Nikki Phelps, 37, from Luddesdown near Gravesend, died on Tuesday morning.

The former teacher, who leaves behind two-year-old twin sons and her husband Bill, suffered from a rare form of cancer caused by genetic disorder, multiple endocrine neoplasia.

Despite being recommended the drug Sunitinib by her oncologist, NHS West Kent refused to help fund the medication.

Health bosses said the drug, which costs £36,000 per year, was designed to fight kidney cancer and there was not enough evidence it would be effective on Mrs Phelps.

But Mrs Phelps went ahead and used £6,000 of savings to pay for it – with positive results. Donations of £4,000 were also spent.

The couple were preparing to sell their £200,000 home, but NHS West Kent agreed to fund the drug following an appeal on April 28, and were to backdate its decision to February 1, repaying money the couple had spent.

Fake officers calling up for bank details

BOGUS police officers have targeted Maidstone and Medway residents in a phone scam to steal bank details.

The fake officers tell the victims money has been taken from their bank account and then ask more details about the card details.

Kent Police are treating the crimes as an act of fraud.

Det Sgt Darren Ryder: "We are urging members of the public not reveal any bank details over the phone, no matter how genuine the caller may seem. A police officer would never ask for bank details, even if investigating fraud."

By STEVE KNIGHT

A WHIRLWIND week at Gillingham FC has led to an uncertain future for players and supporters of Kent's only Football League club.

Chairman Paul Scally moved quickly following the Gills' second relegation in three seasons last weekend, first announcing the departure of manager Mark Stimson on Monday, and then the surprising release of 14 out-of-contract players.

The Dubai-based businessman told the BBC he was angered by the manner of the team's 3-0 defeat at Wycombe last Saturday, which sealed the club's fate in front of more than 2,700 away fans.

He said: "The performance was alarming for me and I troubled about it all over the weekend. I don't remember feeling as low as I feel at the moment because I feel I've failed."

"I appointed the manager and I stuck by him. I gave him the funds he needed at every instance."

"I worked him a decent budget and I think we've got a very good squad of players."

Former Grays and Stevenage boss Stimson was appointed Gills manager in November, 2007, but was unable to halt the club's slide into League Two.

His new-look team bounced straight back with promotion via the play-offs in May, 2009, but failed to win a single away game in a disappointing return to the third flight.

Supporters verbally abused Stimson and called for him to

Gills release boss plus 14 players in relegation cull



Picture: SIMON HARRIS

BLUE: Hessenthaler (right) is a favourite for a return to Scally's Gills

resign following the disastrous defeat at Wycombe, but the 42-year-old refused to budge until Mr Scally forced his hand two days later.

"I'm contracted, but that will be up to the chairman," Stimson told KOS Media after the game.

"He'll make that decision and I'm sure he'll be honest with me. You can see the supporters

weren't too happy at the end and there were shouts of my name."

"That's a discussion myself and the chairman will have, and I'm sure he will make the right decision that he thinks will take the club forward."

The day after Stimson left the club by "mutual consent", it was announced that all 14 out-of-contract players had been released

and were free to seek employment elsewhere.

These included captain Barry Fuller and popular veterans Simon Royce and Mark Bentley.

However, it was noted that the next manager would reassess the situation when he is appointed.

Early favourite for the job is former player-manager Andy Hessenthaler, who recently missed out on three successive promotions with his new club Dover Athletic.

Hessenthaler told KOS Media early this week that he had received no contact from Mr Scally, but that he would like to return to full-time management.

"I've never hidden my desire to return to Football League management," he said.

"But I am on contract at Dover and have a job to do to win the Conference South next season."

Another candidate had been thought to be first team coach Mark Robson, but he was released from his role at the club on Tuesday.

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Amputees set sights on trek to North Pole

By **MARIJKE COX**

TWO injured servicemen are hoping to enter the record books by being the first amputees to reach the North Pole unaided.

The pair – who will be selected from a shortlist later this year – will drag heavy sledges 300 miles across the frozen Arctic Ocean in temperatures as low as -50C, without outside support.

And joining them for part of their gruelling four-week trek – as long as military commitments allow – will be Prince Harry, patron of the Walking With the Wounded charity, which is organising the March, 2011, trip.

At the project's launch the 25-year-old Prince expressed a desire to take part, paying tribute to the "unquenchable spirit" of injured servicemen and women.

Organisers hope the expedition will raise £1 million to help rehabilitate wounded service personnel back into the workplace.

Blast

Donations will also be made to Help For Heroes, which helps those wounded in British conflicts.

Robert Copsey, from St Margaret's-at-Cliffe near Dover, is one of the amputees hoping to make the trek. The 39-year-old starts Arctic ice training this month, and if successful will be selected out of the final four shortlisted names for the North Pole.

The father-of-two lost his leg in 1994, while serving with the 9 Para Squadron RE in Rwanda.

"I was recovering parts of a demolished bridge when I stepped on an anti-personnel mine," he said.

"Luckily, recovered parts of the bridge sheltered me from the blast and only resulted in a below-knee amputation of my right leg, with no other injuries."

The father-of-two said the North Pole expedition would be the ultimate challenge, particularly for an amputee.

"I hope it will inspire recently wounded servicemen and women to continue with their brave rehabilitation and help them



FIGHTING FIT: Robert Copsey is in training

to look forward to a bright future," he said.

"I want to prove that the ultimate challenges can still continue despite any injuries sustained.

"Since my injury I have received help from charities devoted to helping ex-servicemen and women and I want to try and give something back to others who now need this help.

"Life is not a rehearsal – you only get one go – so I am going to give it my all."

Mr Copsey is up against Guy Disney, 28, who lost his leg while under fire in Afghanistan in 2009; Matt Kingston, 25, who had his foot removed after being shot through the ankle in Afghanistan in 2007; and Martin Hewitt, who was left with a paralysed right arm after being shot in 2007, while serving on the frontline.

Mr Copsey said: "I am 100 per cent focused on my training to get on the expedition. I do not want to let myself down, but more importantly, I don't want to let anyone else down."

The final pair will be led by expert guides as they pull sledges weighing 110kg along the Siberian route to the North Pole.

Prince Harry, who has been training to be a pilot with the Army Air Corps, told the charity he was extremely proud to be involved.

"This polar adventure will exemplify the tenacity and remarkable courage of those who serve in uniform," he said.

House sale could be a tall order

SITTING a kilometre out at sea and cut off from civilisation except at low tide, Number One The Thames may not be the postman's favourite address.

But despite its rundown appearance, the 145-year-old Grain Tower Battery is thought of affectionately by its owner Simon Cooper who believes it is like "a little round castle out at sea".

The 38-year-old, who bought the old gun tower six years ago, has put it up for sale and expects at least £500,000 for the bomb-proof building.

"My original intention was to turn it into a house," he said.

"It would make a great home, but maybe not if you have children. It's cut off by the tides so you can only access it by boat, except at low tide when you can walk."

But the Chatham-born entrepreneur, who

now lives in Bromley, said the tower – on mudflats at the Isle of Grain in Medway – would be perfect as a hub for houseboats.

"I'd like to see it made into a houseboat centre, with water sports, a restaurant, bed and breakfasts and even a rock climbing wall," he said.

"It's listed as a National Monument so the outside could not change too much.

"The new owner would have to work with English Heritage and take the right routes to develop it."

But despite its 8ft thick walls and rundown appearance, Mr Cooper believes it has a bright future.

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Labour must focus on council elections to begin comeback



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MOVE: Local elections are way forward for beaten Labour

DEFEATED Labour MPs say it is only a matter of time before the party bounces back and reclaims the Kent constituencies it lost.

The Conservatives wiped their closest rivals off Kent's political map at last week's General Election, returning the Garden of England to its position before Tony Blair's landslide victory 13 years ago.

Labour lost all seven of its Kent seats in the demoralising defeat, but those sent packing from Parliament say they are confident of a return to power before too long.

Former Thanet South MP Steve Ladyman said: "When you're standing in a marginal seat and the tide is against you, there's nothing you can do. But when it comes back in the opposite direction, you've got a fighting chance."

"What we need to do is build gradually and win local council seats like we did before 1997. Then we need to get good candidates in place as soon as possible and I think we will take quite a few seats back at the next election, if not all of them."

The former transport minister –

By **STEVE KNIGHT**

who lost his seat to Tory candidate Laura Sandys – is not the only former Kent Labour MP who appreciates the importance of local council elections.

Jonathan Shaw (Chatham and Aylesford), Bob Marshall-Andrews (Medway) and Gwyn Prosser (Dover) all voiced similar opinions when asked how their party can turn things around in the county.

Philosophies

But with all 12 district and borough councils being controlled by the Conservatives – who also hold 74 out of 84 seats on Kent County Council – Labour faces a difficult task.

Mr Marshall-Andrews, who resigned from Parliament before the election, said: "Times change so what we need to do now is spend a period of reflection deciding what our philosophies are."

"In Kent we did very well in the local elections and you start on that basis. There's always a swing in local

politics before there's a swing in national politics."

Swansea-born Mr Prosser added: "Labour was in the same position when I came down to Kent 30 years ago. It had no MPs at all and only two in the whole of the South East."

"But bit by bit we gained Labour councils and in 1997 there was a huge swing our way and we managed to take control. Just like we did back then we need to pick ourselves up, brush ourselves down and start over, beginning with the local councils."

Labour fared slightly better in the constituencies on the Kent-London border, retaining its seats in Greenwich and Woolwich, Eltham, and Erith and Thamesmead.

However, former Sittingbourne and Sheppey MP Derek Wyatt believes the rest of the county suffered due to the aggressive pro-Tory campaigns of foreign-owned newspapers like The Sun.

Mr Wyatt, who quit politics last July, said he thought such papers should be banned from being so biased towards one party.

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Black Tory MP reflects true face

ETHNIC minorities in Parliament are essential in ensuring a true representation of society, according to the Tories' first black female MP.

Helen Grant, who was voted in as representative for Maidstone and The Weald, said her own election into Westminster showed a strength in our democracy.

She is one of only two Kent MPs from

an ethnic minority, the other being Pakistan-born Rehman Chishti, the Tory MP for Gillingham and Rainham.

There were no ethnic minority Kent MPs in the last Parliament.

Overall, 26 black and Asian MPs were voted into Parliament.

Mrs Grant said: "A democracy requires all different kinds of people."

"I believe to ensure democracy and a

true representation in Parliament a party must have people from all walks of life. I think my election is an indication of the strength of our society rather than a change in my party."

Mrs Grant said voters were more focused on a change in Parliament, rather than race.

The mother-of-two, who was brought up on a council estate in Carlisle by

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a remarkable General Election, the losing candidates ponder their parties' future

By **MARIJKE COX**

ELECTORAL reform is the only way the Liberal Democrats will win seats in Kent, according to leading party members.

It follows a bitter-sweet general election, where the party gained some of the biggest swings in the UK in Kent, but claimed not one seat at Westminster.

Maidstone and The Weald saw the largest swing from the Tories of 8.48 per cent, to Lib Dem candidate Peter Carroll.

But the high number of votes only fuelled calls for electoral reform, where the party's presence in Parliament is minimal, with only 57 seats – with none from Kent.

The coalition between the Conservatives and Lib Dems could mean the party is one step closer to the electoral reform it has been pushing for.

New Prime Minister David Cameron has promised a referendum on the alternative vote system to his deputy Nick Clegg.

Currently, Britain has a first-past-the-post system where the candidate with the most votes in a constituency is made MP and claims a seat at Westminster.

In the alternative vote system, votes will rank candidates in order of preference. If no candidate achieves the winning threshold, the one with the fewest is eliminated and their votes allocated to the remaining hopefuls – this carries on until one candidate achieves victory.

However, this is short of outright proportional representation, which is backed by the majority of Lib Dems.

Peter Carroll, who fought against Tory Helen Grant, thinks a reform of the system is the only way things will change.

"Until the election system is changed, I'm swimming against the tide," he said.

"Nationally, the Lib Dems got 24 per cent of the vote, but

Carroll is 'swimming against tide' unless we get voting reform

only 57 seats. That's just eight per cent of the seats at Westminster – it's not fair."

The Gurkha Justice Campaign founder, who won support from actress Joanna Lumley, received 17,602 votes, with Mrs Grant beating him with 23,491.

It was his third successive election defeat.

He said: "Helen Grant did very well, I'm not taking that away from her, but should the 17,602 people that voted for me have no voice at all in Parliament?"

"We need to see an end to safe seats. Everyone should have a voice, but until there is electoral reform this won't happen."

Mr Carroll said the Lib Dems will continue to work hard in trying to secure a change in the current voting system.

They are pushing to bring in proportional representation – as used in the Scottish Parliament – where there is a closer match between the percentage of votes and number of seats.

Supporters believe it would stop votes being wasted.

Mr Carroll added: "The system needs to be changed. I hope the talks between the party leaders at Westminster resolve this."

Lynne Beaumont,

leader of the Lib Dems at Shepway District Council, lost out to Tory Damian Collins for the Folkestone and Hythe seat.

She secured 15,987 votes, but Mr Collins gained 26,109.

"This has got to change. I don't think electoral reform is the only thing the Lib Dems need to do to have an impact, but it is a big part of the equation," she said.

Ms Beaumont believes her party will be able to win seats in future general elections.

"We had a very big swing in Kent that beat the national trend," she said.

"I think around 30 per cent of voters didn't make their minds up until they were at the polling stations and in the end they went with what they know, and that's Conservative."

"Because of where we live there is a very small Labour vote."

Despite her defeat, Ms Beaumont said she will work hard for the people who voted for her to ensure their voices are heard.

She added: "We'll have to see what happens in the next general election, which may not be too far away."

Lib Dem James Willis, who stood for the Dartford seat and was beaten by Tory Gareth Johnson, echoed his colleagues' words by stressing there needed to be a referendum on electoral reform.

He said: "There needs to be a change in the voting system to make a difference."



FRUSTRATED:
Peter Carroll

of our democracy

her single mother, has always vowed not to use the race card in her campaign. But she admitted her election may help encourage people from ethnic minorities to follow their dreams.

"If my election helps break through those glass ceilings and encourages others then I think it is a good thing for our party

and for our country," she said.

Mr Chishti, a former aide to the country's ex-Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, beat Labour candidate Paul Clark for the Gillingham and Rainham seat.

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Farage vowing to continue his fight

MIRACLE man Nigel Farage says he plans to make even more of a nuisance of himself after cheating death in a polling day plane crash.

The controversial former Ukip leader suffered severe injuries in the accident, which happened when the light aircraft he was travelling in nosedived at an airfield near Brackley, Northants.

Mr Farage, who grew up in Bromley, but now lives in Westerham, Sevenoaks, was unable to attend the Buckingham count that saw him fail in his quest to overthrow current House of Commons speaker John Bercow.

However, the 46-year-old told KOS Media his brush with death had made him even more determined to fight for the values of his party.

He said: "While I was trapped and expecting that I was going to burn to death, I thought of the misery I would leave behind for my wife and children."

"I also kept thinking there was a lot more I wanted to do with my life. I'm doing a job I completely believe in and thankfully I've been given a chance to get myself better, go back to Brussels and make a thorough nuisance of myself."

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Attwater brought his Mercedes and the following Citroen to a

stop on the motorway slip road before getting out of his vehicle and assaulting the other driver.

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Justice is just a click away in online demo

MANY people think there are too many murderers and child molesters roaming the streets because they were handed 'soft' sentences by out-of-touch courts and judges, **writes Chris Murphy.**

So a new online interactive website has been launched in Kent to counter some of that thinking by making the public pass their own sentences on villains and crooks.

They can then compare the outcome of real-life cases, with names changed, with their own sentencing suggestions.

One case is already online, and it appears most people agreed with the bench of magistrates shown in the interactive film on a man found guilty of criminal damage and given a community sentence. But a few wanted him locked up for three months.

The Kent Criminal Justice Board said it is concerned many people still don't know what happens inside a real courtroom, nor appreciate how complex an apparently simple hearing can turn out to be.

The interactive guide to sentencing takes the viewer along the passage of justice step by step, explaining some of the usually hidden details.

It is currently live online and shows how the decision-making



YOUR CHOICE: The website allows you to pass sentence on the accused

process works and then gives visitors to the site the chance to be the judge and pass sentence themselves.

Interim Chief Constable of Kent Adrian Leppard, who chairs the Kent Criminal Justice Board, said: "Improving people's knowledge of how the criminal justice system in general, and in this case the courts in particular, work is a key factor in improving public confidence."

And deputy chairman of the Magistrates' Association John Fassenfelt, who sits on the Central

Kent Bench, added: "These are designed to open the system up to communities and help them see, first-hand, the important part that magistrates courts play in serving their communities."

The Kent Criminal Justice Board is comprised of Kent Police, Crown Prosecution Service, Kent Probation, the Prison Service, Courts Service, Youth Offending Services and the Legal Services Commission. Go to the KCJB website www.cjonline.gov.uk/kent and click on 'You be the Judge' on the left.

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Officers and public win commendations and certificates of merit from police

By **STEVE KNIGHT**

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BRAVE friends who rescued a pilot from the burning wreckage of his plane have received police awards for their actions.

The seven-strong team were commended for saving the life of Roger Chaplin, whose biplane burst into flames after crashing at Farthing Corner Airfield, near Sittingbourne, on July 26, 2008.

Michael Bills, Coral Frazer-Verrall, Patrick Jordan, Cheryl Elliott, Vernon Verrall, Alan Bournier and Janet Pierce formed a human chain to help extinguish the blaze with buckets of water before the emergency services arrived.

All seven were honoured, alongside officers and other members of the public, at a Kent Police ceremony.

Acting Chief Constable Adrian Leppard said: "I'm always humbled by the selfless actions the recipients of these awards have carried out."

"I'm extremely proud to be able to honour them in this way and to thank them on behalf of the force and on behalf of the community they serve so well."

Certificates

"The police officers, police staff and members of the public receiving commendations and certificates of merit have earned the right to be proud of their accomplishments, and we are also very proud of them."

The public was well represented at the ceremony, with ordinary people receiving awards for putting the safety of others before their own.

Among them was jeweller Charmian Beaton, who along with her father, Donald, and neighbour, Andy Blair, tackled an armed robber who had targeted her shop in Maidstone.

The crook entered the business wearing a crash helmet and tried to open a glass display cabinet, only for Miss Beaton to jump on his back before Mr Beaton and Mr Blair helped wrestle him to the ground.

Miss Beaton then hit the robber over the head with a fire extinguisher when she realised he was carrying a gun.

Other acts of bravery were demonstrated by Matthew Bray – who was stabbed in the

Going above and beyond earns bravery accolades



THREE OF A KIND: Acting Chief Constable Adrian Leppard congratulates (from left) Alan Bournier, Cheryl Elliott, and Patrick Jordan for their part in rescuing a crashed pilot

face while attempting to rescue a woman who was being assaulted in Gillingham – and two Dartford men who pulled a stroke victim from the burning wreckage of his car.

Certificates of merit were also issued to a police officers in recognition of outstanding professionalism. Among the recipients were PC Andrew Small for tackling issues related

to rural crime, Det Con Dave Leadbeater for leading a cross-border investigation into a series of burglaries, and Chief Supt Paul Brandon for commanding last year's north Kent power cut operation.

Mr Leppard said: "Every day, right across our county, Kent Police officers and staff show their commitment in protecting and helping the people of Kent and Medway."

"The action they take in carrying out this role is often above and beyond the call of duty."

"These commendations and certificates of merit are awarded for acts of bravery, outstanding service and exemplary commitment to serving the people of Kent and Medway."

"Those receiving awards have demonstrated the highest standards of professionalism."

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SO PROUD: Charmian and Donald Beaton with Mr Leppard

In praise of everyday heroes

KENT Police Authority is inviting nominations for unsung heroes as part of this year's Safer Kent Awards.

Anybody helping to make a positive difference in their local area is eligible to be put forward, including special constables, community support officers, young people and Neighbourhood Watch volunteers.

KPA chairwoman Ann Barnes said: "One of the authority's jobs is to make sure the people of Kent and Medway receive the best possible policing service, so we're delighted to recognise those people who go out of their way and give 110 per cent to ensure this happens."

"People are very quick to criticise public services that get it wrong, but this is an opportunity to recognise the talent out there improving quality of lives."

"This event really does act as an eye-opener for just how great a job

people are doing on a daily basis. I would like to make a plea to the public to submit entries and take the time to say thank you and ensure people get the recognition they deserve."

Among those honoured at last year's awards were community support officer Gareth Foreman – who set up a football training camp for youngsters in Sittingbourne – and three students from Castle Community College, Deal, who drew up a safer travel plan for their fellow classmates.

Judging for this year's nominations will be carried out by representatives from a number of Kent-based organisations, including Unison and the Police Federation.

Mrs Barnes added: "There are a number of categories where people can make nominations."

"I really hope the public will take a moment to step back and think about who has been making



ANN BARNES: Recognising talent

a difference to where they live."

The closing date for entries is Thursday, July 1, with the winners being announced at a ceremony in September. Click on the website www.kentpoliceauthority.gov.uk or call 01622 604482 to request a nomination booklet.



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MUSICIAN Jarvis Cocker, pictured, has worked with the National Trust to create an album taking listeners on a journey around its properties across Britain.

The former Pulp frontman has produced the 33-minute soundtrack titled National Trust: The Album, using the sounds of birdsong, waves and the wind rushing through country gardens.

One of the tracks features sounds from

Chartwell, the former home of Sir Winston Churchill and his family, in Westerham.

A National Trust spokesman said: "It is designed to showcase the peace and tranquility people enjoy when they visit the special places cared for by the National Trust."

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Private web chat leads to 'radical' charges

By **STEVE KNIGHT**

INTERNET chat rooms could face much stricter regulations if Kent Police succeed with a landmark prosecution against an alleged paedophile.

Officers have charged a Dartford man with nine offences under the 1959 Obscene Publications Act in relation to a private conversation he is accused of having with an online acquaintance.

Such charges usually only relate to pictures published in books, with internet chats having escaped unscathed – regardless of how obscene the content – until now.

According to sexual law expert Jane Fae, the idea a private conversation could be considered "published" would be fairly radical.

She added: "From a legal point of view this is really pushing the boat out."

"The difficulty is that even if chatroom users are talking about things most ordinary people would be revolted by, do we really want to live in a society where people are prosecuted for private conversations?"

"Either this case will be thrown out at a very early stage or – if it goes to full trial – it could become a highly significant case for the law in this country."

One of the earliest and most famous charges issued under the Obscene Publications Act was against Penguin Books, following the 1960 release of the DH Lawrence classic *Lady Chatterley's Lover*.

The 'not guilty' verdict delivered by a jury at the end of a high-profile trial resulted in a far greater degree of freedom for publishing explicit material in the UK.

Rupert Bear

However, the same could not be said for the team behind the counter-culture magazine *Oz*, who were convicted in 1971 over an infamous edition edited by a group of teenagers. In what is believed to be the only successful text-based prosecution under the Obscene Publications Act, the edition in question contained a variety of indecent articles as well as a cartoon of Rupert Bear engaging in a sexually explicit act.

The man charged by Kent Police is also accused of two counts of making indecent images of children and four of possessing indecent images of children.

It is believed forensics officers discovered the alleged obscene conversation while searching through the hard drive of the accused's computer.

Kent Law School lecturer Lesley Phippen said it would be interesting to see if the charges are pursued to trial.

"It is highly unusual for written material to be prosecuted under this act," she said. "Much will depend on the type of chatroom where the material appeared, and how easily accessible it was to a wide audience."

• Swanscombe man Gavin Smith has been charged with two counts of making indecent images of children, four counts of possessing indecent images of children, and nine offences under the Obscene Publications Act. He is due to appear before Dartford magistrates on Monday, May 17.

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Shamed manager jailed over £200k medical centre fraud

A MEDICAL centre manager has been jailed for more than four years after siphoning off over £200,000 and conning doctors.



Debbie Sadler

It follows a complex investigation supported by the NHS counter fraud service.

Debbie Sadler, a former manager of GP practices in Dover and London, was sentenced to four-and-a-half years by Canterbury Crown Court and faces a possible confiscation order to recover the money.

The court was told Sadler, 42, of Waltham Close, Willesborough, Ashford, had abused her position as practice manager at Pencaster Medical Centre in Dover.

She helped herself to £207,791 from her employers and fraudulently earned more than £93,000 at this and other practices.

Facing overwhelming evidence, she pleaded guilty to 27 of 30 charges including theft, fraud and obtaining money by deception.

One of the doctors she worked for at the Pencaster practice suspected fraud and

reported their concerns in June, 2008.

After receiving a tax demand for the practice, Sadler took two days off work.

At that time, suspicious colleagues decided to look at the practice finances in more depth and were shocked by what they found. Irregularities were spotted including a 'phantom' employee.

The practice sacked her and called in the police. Sadler was arrested and interviewed.

Further investigations revealed Sadler had found a new job while on police bail, as practice manager at the Albion Health Centre in Whitechapel Road, London.

She had forged a glowing reference in the name of a GP at the Pencaster centre.

On October, 15, 2009, Sadler was charged with multiple offences of theft and fraud.

It then emerged she had been employed since March, 2009, as maternity cover for the practice manager at the Keats Group Practice in Hampstead, London, and had lined up her next job at the Prince of Wales Group Practice in Kentish Town, London.

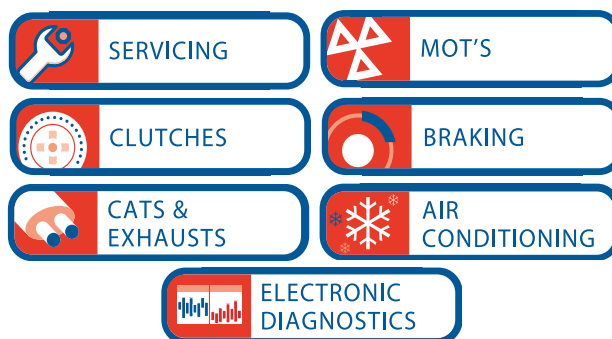
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Eclectic ramblings through county places writers cherish

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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A GROUP of celebrities have contributed to a new book about their favourite spots in the county.

It's called Icons of England and is edited by Campaign to Protect Rural England president Bill Bryson.

The pages highlight many of the most cherished places and intriguing features the English countryside has to offer.

Those with particular affinities to Kent include Jo Brand, Henrietta Green, Simon Jenkins, and Antony Beevor.

Brand's family moved to the village of St Mary's Platt near Sevenoaks when she was four, and after a year they relocated to Benenden.

Comedian Brand said: "I grew up in the Garden of England, the Weald of Kent, surrounded by hopfields, beech woods, animals, birds and a general sense of peace and beauty. "A country childhood sits inside you, always filling you with a feeling of well-being. I could not imagine such a happy beginning had I spent my formative years in the Smoke."

She writes battles with her siblings and falling from on a rope swing over a river ending up "sitting on my arse in the stream-bed with their gleeful, smug laughter ringing in my ears".

Historian Antony Beevor wrote about his life in what he called the "world of Jocelyn Brooke", another writer and also a botanist. He wrote The Orchid Trilogy.

Mr Beevor said he lives right in the heart of Jocelyn Brooke's country, south-east of Canterbury, a comparatively small area of chalk downland between the Elham and Pett valleys.

He said: "Brooke, a botanist specialising in orchids who became an acclaimed novelist, lived at Bishopsbourne, less than three miles away.

"Brooke worked for years on The Wild Orchids of Britain (finally published in 1952), but he only began to achieve recognition after the war, when he merged his botanical interests with lyrical, semi-fictional memories of childhood.

"Orchids, like the large white lady orchid, appear from time to time in our wood and fields. One year, we even had 10 at once."

British food writer and champion Henrietta

Green lamented the decline of the cherry. She writes: "Mention them and almost everyone breaks into a smile."

But, she writes: "Travelling through Kent at the height of summer was cherry heaven with its roadside stalls laden with baskets, aka chips, filled with the freshly picked fruit. Now we grow less than a thousand acres, with home-grown cherries accounting for a mere 7.5 per cent of what we consume."

In his essay, To The Manor Born, author, columnist and former Times editor, Sir Simon Jenkins, reflects on the nation's mansions.

He writes about visits to houses down the scale of grandness like Charles Dickens' Bleak House, "where the sea winds blow and gulls occasionally fall down the chimneys by mistake".

The collection of essays comes out this month and is priced £7.99 with all royalties going to the Campaign to Protect Rural England.



EARLY YEARS: Comedian Jo Brand writes of an idyllic upbringing in the Garden of England



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Town to celebrate pioneer on 100th anniversary of historic Channel crossing



AVIATOR: (l-r) Charles Rolls before his flight across the Channel in 1910



AVIATORS: (l-r) Charles Rolls in his Rolls-Royce with Orville and Wilbur Wright, plus chauffeur

By **STEVE KNIGHT**

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A SERIES of events has been planned to mark the 100th anniversary of the first non-stop return flight across the Channel.

The remarkable feat was completed by Charles Rolls – one of the founders of the iconic Rolls-Royce firm – who learned to fly in Sheppey and had several connections with Dover.

Events planned to mark the anniversary on Sunday, June 6, include a display of up to 100 vintage and new Rolls-Royce cars on Dover seafront, as well as a special exhibition at the town's museum.

An existing statue of Rolls is currently being refurbished and will also be rededicated on the day.

Dover council leader Cllr Paul Watkins said: "This is a prestigious opportunity to showcase the district.

"We are delighted to be able to host these events to mark the centenary of Rolls' his-



SPRUCE UP: The statue of Charles Rolls is being renovated for rededication ceremony



Rolls of honour

toric flight, and to celebrate the many connections between Dover and the iconic Rolls-Royce company.”

London-born Charles Rolls made more than 170 hot-air balloon ascents before becoming a founding member of the Sheppey-based Royal Aero Club in 1903.

He became the first man to complete a double crossing of the Channel on June 2, 1910, but tragically died three years later when the tail of his Wright Flyer broke off during a flying display in Bournemouth.

But his name lived on in Kent when business partner Henry Royce decided to move his team of engineers to St Margaret's, between 1913-17.

Rolls' only surviving car – an original 8hp Panhard Levassor – will go on display in Dover as part of the centenary celebrations, courtesy of Norfolk Museum.

Dover Town Council is also marking the occasion on Saturday, June 5, with a fire-

works display, Continental market and vintage car show.

Town Mayor Cllr Sue Jones said: "Dover can yet again enjoy the benefits of a free event thanks to its strategic position as the place aviation pioneers chose to exhibit their bravery."

Meanwhile, the Muswell Manor Aviation Centenary Committee is holding a separate event over Leysdown on Saturday, July 24.

The main attraction of the day will be a flying display featuring the Turbulent team and Stampe formation team from Headcorn, a wing-walker, the Headcorn Parachute Club, the Spirit of Kent Spitfire and a Vampire jet.

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Malls' terror tax relief row

THE trade group for shopping centres in Kent and the rest of the UK believes extra security costs caused by the ongoing terror threat should be borne by government, and not the companies that own and run the malls.

Many want tax breaks so they can afford to install security measures recommended by the police and MI5.

Officials want crash barriers that can stop a lorry at 70mph and much clearer CCTV systems with more areas covered.

Martin Taylor is on the British Council of Shopping Centres' safety committee and is angry at what is being called a 'terror tax'.

He said: "If you are an individual you get tax relief for expenditure on protecting yourself. I think shopping centres could benefit from some sort of tax assistance."

He also believes better training of existing staff can be more effective in preventing a terror attack before it happens.

Howard Oldstein, general manager at the Glades in Bromley, said: "At Capital Shopping Centres we give the highest priority to the safety and security of our customers and staff.

"We work closely with security agencies and control authorities to ensure our centres maintain the utmost vigilance, with regular training undertaken by our security staff."

"The costs of maintaining this focus are increasing, and we welcome dialogue with government on how these should be shared."

And a Bluewater spokesman added: "Safety of our guests and staff is paramount, we are vigilant in reviewing our safety procedures, and taken advice from the north Kent Police on security matters. We have no comment on these specific matters but will follow any ensuring debate with interests."

Five men were jailed for life in 2007 for a plot to bomb various UK locations, including the Bluewater shopping centre in 2004.

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The new dawn is built on goodwill

A NEW day has dawned in British politics but only time will tell just what the morning, noon and night will bring.

Few would have predicted when the election started that it would result in a Con-Lib coalition, but here we are.

The majority of Kent voters will be pleased David Cameron holds the keys to Number 10, but it is doubtful his choice of deputy – Lib Dem leader Nick Clegg – will be welcomed with open arms. And judging by comments from some of the county's politicians, they're none too convinced either.

It's not difficult to see why. After all, the Tories and Lib Dems are on opposite sides of the political spectrum and disagree on many issues. With that case, how will they be able to run the country together in harmony?

But there appears a genuine will on both sides to make the forced marriage work, and the nation appears excited by the coalition it arranged by voting in a hung parliament.

No stopping him

NOT even a close brush with death can keep former Ukip leader Nigel Farage down.

The South East MEP somehow managed to walk away from a light aircraft crash and says he is now even more determined to make a nuisance of himself in Brussels.

It would be interesting to know if European President Herman Van Rompuy – who Mr Farage once said had “all the charisma of a damp rag” – was one of those who sent him a get well soon card.

OPINION:

You'll always walk alone

Supporter Steve Knight says good riddance to Gills boss Mark Stimson



IF RELEGATION to League Two is the dark cloud for Gillingham FC, then the long-awaited departure of manager Mark Stimson is most definitely the silver lining.

As a season ticket holder for the past 15 years, I can honestly say the last two-and-a-half under this sorry excuse for a football coach have been my most miserable.

One glorious afternoon at Wembley aside, Stimson's reign of terror at Priestfield will be remembered more for his lack of humility and tactical awareness, and, ultimately, his inability to win matches away from home.

And never were these three points highlighted more than during, and after, last weekend's disastrous 3-0 defeat at Wycombe – the result that dragged the Gills back down into the bottom tier of the Football League.

One area in which Stimson does deserve some credit is in the squad of players he has built up.

On their day, men like Simeon Jackson, Andy Barcham and Curtis Weston are good enough to fit into any Championship side, and at times this season each has shown flashes of pure genius and helped us win big games in front of our home fans.

Unfortunately, when it came to away games Stimson seemingly had no idea how to motivate them

nor how to make changes when things weren't going his way.

Considering how important a clash the Wycombe game was, the performances put in by the majority of the Gills players last Saturday were nothing short of disgraceful. No passion, no effort and no desire equals no points.

So at 2-0 down and with his job on the line, what did our managerial mastermind do to turn the game around? The answer is absolutely nothing, despite chants of “Stimson, sort it out” from the 2,300 away supporters who had made the trip to Adams Park.

Changes were only made when the third goal went in and it was far too late. One of these substitutions was Chris Dickson.

Remember him? That's right, he's the man Stimson chased for more than two years before telling anyone who would listen he actually wasn't good enough to play in the first team.

The other sub was talented youngster Luke Rooney – a player most supporters agree should have been in and around the first team all season. But Stimson saw otherwise and shipped him out on

loan to non-league Eastbourne, who probably couldn't believe their luck at signing such a star.

Such bizarre decisions seemed to be a trademark of Stimson's during his time at Priestfield.

If he wasn't upsetting the fans by mistreating much-loved veterans like Nicky Southall, he was confusing his own players by dropping them from the first team squad for weeks with little or no explanation.

Favouritism was another big problem. Whereas hard-working pros like Mark Bentley and the Southall bounced in and out of the first team, lesser talents like Barry Fuller and Dennis Oli seemed to have no problem impressing the man who signed them from the non-league ranks. Fuller in particular had lavish praise heaped upon him after almost every game, despite his questionable ability to mark his opponents or pose any sort of attacking threat.

Stimson even went so far as to describe his captain as being “absolutely phenomenal” in the Gills' away match against Millwall – a frankly ridiculous assessment considering we lost the game 4-0.

But of all his many character faults, perhaps the most damaging was Stimson's inability to connect with the fans.

Whereas men like Roy Hodgson and Steve Coppell are well-liked by neutrals for their humility and graciousness in defeat, Stimson seems more concerned with massaging his own ego and hard-man image.

He told us on numerous occasions that he was honest and never backed down from a challenge because he was “from the East End”. Why supporters would care that Stimson was neighbours with Ronnie, Reggie and Phil Mitchell is anyone's guess. All we wanted was for our team to win an away game or two.

Stimson's sarcastic applause to angry supporters at the end of the Wycombe defeat just about summed up why the majority of us couldn't stand him.

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Hate without prejudice

I have heard that Kent Police have been advised of a racist attack on the sons, Sami and Ross, of the former Bishop of Rochester Michael Nazir-Ali in Medway on May 1.

Apparently one of them, Ross, was called 'gay' before the vile assault and this in my view highlights that where there is one form of prejudice, there is usually another.

As a gay man who has campaigned against what I regard as the former Bishop's homophobia, I genuinely hope the perpetrators of the racist attack on his sons will be caught and prosecuted as soon as possible, as people from all minority groups could well also be at risk.

International Day Against Homophobia is on Monday (see www.idahomophobia.org.uk for details) and I would like to remind people to report any such attacks, be they verbal abuse or assaults of any kind, whether on the gay community or others, to Kent Police either directly or via the freephone lines.

Ray Duff, Folkestone

Place your bets, please

Regarding the proposed Ebbsfleet giant white horse sculpture – and further to recent letters – any bets on how long it will be before the appearance of the begging bowl for taxpayer funding, to make up for a suddenly discovered shortfall in what was supposed to be a privately funded exercise in self-puff?

Patrick Collins, Welling

We'll really meet again

It has now been confirmed there will be a reunion of wartime evacuee children who were sent to South Wales in June, 1940.

This will be in St Mary's parish centre, Dover, on Sunday, June 6, immediately after an evacuee service at St Mary's Church (10.45am). The service and reunion is specific-

Cameron spurned 16 seats

As we lurch into coalition Government after an inconclusive General Election result, Tory leader David Cameron must realise now that he could have moved into Number 10 immediately.

How so? While his negotiating team seemed perfectly happy to offer the Liberal Democrats a route to the alternative vote via a referendum, he was not prepared to offer Ukip a referendum on membership of the European Union in exchange for allowing Conservative Eurosceptics a free

run in their own constituencies.

The result is that Ukip votes cost him about 16 seats and a working majority.

A similar situation occurred in 2005 and one would have thought that the lesson would have been learned by now.

As it is, unless the Con/Lib coalition can hold together, the Tories could end up in the wilderness for a long time, with a 'progressive' pro-European alliance coming to dominate British politics.

Malcolm Brockman, Loose, Maidstone

cally for the Dover children who left town by special trains on Sunday, June 2, but, of course, any other former evacuees will be welcome. John Lockyer, a former Dover evacuee, is organising what could be a far bigger reunion for former evacuees from a wider catchment area on the same day – Sunday, June 6 – at Dover Town Hall, from 1-5pm, after the parish centre get-together.

Mr Lockyer requires the names and addresses of those intending to attend the town hall reception. He can be contacted on 01273 736214 or at 108 Sunninghill Avenue, Hove, East Sussex BN3 8JA.

Terry Sutton, Whitfield

Torpedo this mad idea

I recently visited an exhibition at Chatham Historic Dockyard presenting the proposals for Strood's redevelopment. The drawings

appear to have the huge submarine, presently located in the River Medway, relocated into the residential housing block between Grange Road and South Eastern Road.

How has this managed to get past planning without more opposition? I think this is folly – does anyone actually want this to happen? The money could surely be put to better use. This is madness.

Susan Pyle, by email

The lessons of history

MPs seem to ignorant of our past relations with Europe, in particular France, Spain and Germany.

They seem unaware of what has happened between us and Europe over the years. During the reign of Elizabeth I, Spain sent an armada to conquer us, which was dealt with by Drake and the weather.

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Then, after Bonaparte invaded and beat Spain, Italy, Austria, Denmark and Germany, Napoleon said France and Spain would never rest until Britain was part of France.

Nelson destroyed the French fleet at Trafalgar and then Napoleon's forces were beaten at Waterloo by Wellington.

Germany then attempted to beat us twice in two world wars, but failed.

Despite all this, we have been sold out to Europe by our own government in every aspect except our beloved sterling – so far.

We originally joined the EEC for economic reasons only. Had the action of giving power to Europe to decide what we should do been attempted in Elizabethan times, the culprits would have been incarcerated in the Tower of London on a charge of treason and dealt with.

Eric Hartup, Gillingham

I will not be silenced

Your reporting of the Canterbury and Whitstable constituency General Election count at the city's Westgate Hall was very disappointing to me personally.

I was the man you reported as being ejected from the count – but not totally, as I occupied the foyer. Not one reporter did I see – there were a few photographers – and no-one asked me why I did what I did, except one policeman and a council worker.

Yes, I am an anti-capitalist, and proud of it. I don't belong to a local socialist group now, although I have many friends who do.

As for disrupting council meetings, I don't think I did a bad thing and proved the council likes to keep the public ignorant.

They now record general meetings, except when a councillor does not want to be recorded, which is hardly transparent democracy.

Please get your facts and reporting straight in future.

Jonathan Elliott, Whitstable

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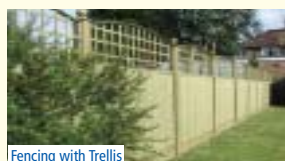
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Helen and Stuart Costello-Wright celebrate the birth of their daughter Megan on 29th April 2010.

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DAVISON

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FARRELL

Hannah Maisie born on 27th April 2010 weighing 11lb 10oz. Beautiful daughter to Sarah and Darius in Gravesend.

HEMMINGS

Tracey and Robert are pleased to announce the birth of Joseph James Hemmings, born on 17th April 2010, weighing 7lbs 14oz, at Darent Valley Hospital.

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Kerrie and David House celebrate the birth of their son David House on 27th April 2010.

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WISDOM

Clare and Luke Wisdom celebrate the birth of their son Austin Luke Wisdom on 26th April 2010. Baby brother to Cody.

DEATHS

ALLEN

Mark Allen of Folkestone passed away peacefully on 6th May 2010, after a long illness.

DOUGLAS

Marjorie Douglas of Minster-on-Sea died peacefully on 4th May 2010. Enquiries to R High and Sons, 1 Bayford Road, Sittingbourne, 01795 472958. Beyond the gate you will find happiness and rest and there is comfort in the thought that you will remain close to us.

FARROW

Maud Farrow of Yalding passed away peacefully in hospital on 4th May 2010 aged 85 with family members at her bedside.

WILLIAMSON

Karen Williamson of Snodland, formerly of Liverpool, passed away peacefully after a long illness on 6th May 2010 aged 53. Beyond the gate you will find happiness and rest and there is comfort in the thought that you will remain close to us.

Lack of roads debate

I agree with Geoff Dunning of the Road Haulage Association that there seemed to be no political debate about road transport before the General Election.

Travel by various means is something most people do every day, whether for work or pleasure, so why no debate?

Is it because all three main parties have the same anti-road agenda and can only see as far as public transport?

All three seem to want to spend more money on grandiose schemes like high-speed rail, when in fact they can't manage efficiently the lines we already have. Just look at the Kent high-speed debacle.

Only seven per cent of all passenger miles are by train, so high-speed lines carry only a tiny proportion of travellers.

Yet, the Liberal Democrats wanted to cut the roads budget by 75 per cent, which will mean ever-more gridlocked roads to finance this high-speed scheme, yet cars account for 85 per cent of the travelling public along with 87 per cent of freight moved. When New Labour took power, diesel was about 61p per litre. This has now doubled. Any mention by any party of cutting fuel taxes?

Britain's hauliers have become uncompetitive against foreign hauliers that have not had such greedy anti-road governments.

Jams may be a great inconvenience to the private car owner, but for business it is a nightmare – trying to reach appointments and battling to meet delivery times.

In the end, who pays for this mismanagement of Britain's 'financial arteries'? The nation as a whole. For example, all three parties want the Dartford Crossing tolls to stay and if possible, to sell-off another asset that was paid for by the taxpayer.

Trials are starting in Nottingham for workplace parking charging, toll roads are a policy of all three parties.

Conservative-run Kent County Council announces on its website that by cutting parking places, it will force people onto public transport. Did you see many politicians jumping off a bus to do their canvassing? Yet the media has remained silent.

Terry Hudson, Herne Bay

Agreeing to disagree

Ray Duff seems determined to avoid answering points put to him by throwing in names of experts to confuse the issue.

I too can throw in 'experts', like Bishop Usher and his infamous 4004; and the member of the FRCS who, on hearing the railway companies would be increasing the speed of their trains to 20mph, declared passengers would die of shock if they exceeded 15mph.

So, what and where is the evidence of 39,000 early deaths caused by shipping?

Also, you overlooked the impact of the Chinese and Indian power plants on the world's air quality.

I agree with you on ID cards, but disagree on nuclear power stations – the best and safest are the Italian versions of FBRs – they have to be as Italy is prone to earthquakes.

I loathe the very idea of littering our beautiful countryside with eyesore wind turbines. They are noisy, kill too many birds and, most important of all, will never pay their way.

Doug Cheverst, Bexleyheath

Access all areas, now

Is your MP accessible? Before the General Election, Leonard Cheshire Disability set up our 'My vote, my say' website to provide information and advice for disabled people about voting.

We also supported many disabled people to contact their local candidates to ask them what they would do to make sure that, if elected, they would be an 'accessible MP' for all their constituents. Now that the election is over, we want to find out just how accessible MPs are. Will their constituency surgeries be in accessible venues?

Will they make sure disabled constituents can get in touch with them? And how will they respond to disabled people's key priorities? You can tell us your views, find out more on disability policy, discover how to become a campaigner and how to lobby your MP at www.lcdisability.org/myvotemysay.

Guy Parcar, Leonard Cheshire disability policy and campaigns manager

Costa Rica trek appeal

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There is even lunch with local farmers to ensure a real taste of life in Costa Rica.

Trekking Costa Rica for the Multiple Sclerosis Trust will be a challenging and unforgettable experience.

If you would like to take up the challenge and raise valuable funds to help us to continue to support the 100,000 people in the UK with multiple sclerosis, please click on www.msstrust.org.uk/costarica or call 01462 476707.

Janet Chesterton, Multiple Sclerosis Trust

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Shocked by leniency

Isn't it time criminals were given a punishment befitting their crimes?

For the father who killed his baby daughter to serve just 18 months for the sadistic manslaughter of a defenceless child whose life had only just begun is outrageous.

How do these judges ever sleep? Christopher Sellman should get life and sterilisation. There's no way he should ever be able to father another child. What has happened to our respect for law and order?

Mrs C Russell, Ramsgate

Driven by imagination

Terry Hudson remains as fixated as ever in his belief that the Government is somehow conspiring against private car owners for reasons he doesn't make clear (Steering at loopholes, Letters, May 2).

Mr Hudson thinks it is mighty suspicious for the Government to want people to use public transport more frequently.

Their desire for this to happen is easily explainable. There are too many motor vehicles on the road and not enough car sharing takes place. This increases harmful carbon emissions and gridlocks the roads, slowing down our transport system.

If more people used buses and trains then our highways would have smooth-flowing traffic (essential for business) which would decrease delays, plus the air we breathe would be less polluted.

These are both good things. Mr Hudson's assertion that the Government is deliberately letting the road system fall into decay makes absolutely no sense whatsoever.

If they are trying to encourage people to use public transport, why would they want the roads to be in disrepair?

Also, the Government initiatives to downgrade speed limits and safety camera enforcement are vital measures to keep selfish, reckless and unrestrained motorists in check.

Safe and courteous driving is anathema to these speed fanatics. Mr Hudson's vivid imagination has rendered him unable to distinguish fantasy from reality.

The vast majority of people know the Government's transport policies are sensible

and well thought out. They are only endeavouring to procure an environmentally cleaner and safer Britain.

Clive Wilkins-Oppler, Canterbury

Campaign on the rails

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Without the help of those who will benefit from free travel, the campaign will be killed off, so please help by putting pen to paper right away. For more information, write to the Medway Pensioners' Forum, 5a New Road Avenue, Chatham ME4 6BG.

Peter Nassan, Chatham

Browned off by Gordon

I cannot join all those in praise of Gordon Brown because he, and Tony Blair have brought our country to the brink of ruin and I sincerely hope we never have a Labour government again.

I have to wonder just why Blair and Brown hated England. Between them they turned us into a Third World country where the indigenous population come have been ignored in preference to any stranger who wanders in. Even so-called travellers have more rights than us.

No, I hope Blair and Brown go down in history for just what they were: Blair the biggest con artist ever, and Brown totally incompetent.

RE Tucker, Sheerness



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"I am looking forward to this opportunity to take the college on to the next chapter, following on from the outstanding work of Malcolm Ball and colleagues," he said.

"With new facilities and an enviable reputation, the college is well-placed to face the challenges in further education that lie ahead."

The former chartered accountant was born in Dartford.

North West Kent College has campuses in Dartford and Gravesend.

It's never too late for a new qualification

ADULTS are being given a second chance at education through the higher learning programme at University Centre Folkestone.

Degree courses in subjects ranging from creative writing to childhood studies are on offer for school leavers or adults wanting to go back to the classroom and get qualified.

By **MARIJKE COX**

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An adult learners' open day was held on Tuesday to show the options available at the centre, which is Canterbury Christ Church University's newest campus.

Chris Price, campus director of UCF, said the event was a good opportunity for adults wanting to get into higher education.

"You can meet our staff, talk to tutors about the courses and programmes we offer and find out about finance and student support," he said.

The open day marked the three-year anniversary of the university's higher education programme.

Amanda Beckett, 40, from Seabrook, is a mature student at the centre enrolled on a full-time degree course in performing arts.

She said: "I was working in education and considered going back to university to study for a higher learning teaching assistant qualification. When that didn't work out my husband suggested I take a look at what was on offer at UCF."

"Initially I just went to have a look around the building, but I was so surprised and impressed with that I saw that I picked up a prospectus. I then changed my mind completely about what I wanted to do with my future and I enrolled for a full-time degree in performing arts."

Mrs Beckett admitted studying full-time has been a challenge.

Personal

"I have three part-time jobs and two teenage kids, but this is about me and my personal enrichment. It has made me feel revitalised," she said.

"It's a bit of a change to go from education to performing arts at the age of 40, but sometimes you have to go for it and do something that is purely to enrich your life."

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Student advisor Carreen Gadd said this represented the ongoing commitment in raising the aspirations and achievements of students from a care background.

She added: "These students can face a lot of challenges and often lack the support other students take for granted."

"Much of the university's provision is designed to fill these gaps."

The application for the award came through the Aimhigher Kent and Medway Partnership, which aims to widen participation in higher education.

Dr Felicity Dunworth, director of the partnership, said the award shows that young people with a care background can be confident of a warm and supportive welcome at the university.

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For further information please contact Mrs Julie Wilson, Headteacher, Northfleet School for Girls, Hall Road, Northfleet, Kent DA11 8AQ

Tel: 0844 477 2525.

Email: personnel@northfleetgirls.kent.sch.uk

Closing date: Tuesday, 18 May 2010.

Interviews to be held: 24-27 May 2010.

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**Northfleet
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**THAMESVIEW SCHOOL with Business & Enterprise Status**

Thong Lane, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 4LF

Headteacher: **Miss R. Hughes** B.Ed Hons

Tel: 01474 566552 Fax: 01474 537405

email: school@thamesview.kent.sch.uk

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Closing Date - 27th May 2010 at 10.00am
Interviews - w/c 7th June 2010

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Closing date: 21 May 2010


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Salary: £24,096 - £27,881 per annum
Closing Date: Wednesday 19 May 2010
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 Mid Kent College
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Medway

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Medway

Salary: £28,463 - £32,251 per annum
Closing Date: Wednesday 19 May 2010
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 Quoting Job Ref: P0357
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Teacher

West Malling

Salary: TBC
To apply/more information:
 School Office
 Quest School
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01732 522700
 Email quest_school@btconnect.com

Management Information Systems

Ashford

Salary: TBA
Closing Date: Friday 14 May 2010
To apply/more information:
 Ashford School
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01233 739032
 Email rylandsa@ashfordschool.co.uk

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER

Ashford

Salary: TBA
Closing Date: Friday 14 May 2010
To apply/more information:
 Ashford School
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
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 Email rylandsa@ashfordschool.co.uk

ICT Technician

Gravesend

Salary: Pro rata to £12,167.44 to £13,794.19 pa
Closing Date: 17th May 2010
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 Tel: 01474 566552 ext. 208
 Email k.allen@thamesview.kent.sch.uk

Leaders of Creative, Media and Performance Subject Cluster

Dartford

Salary: TBA
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To apply/more information:
 Northfleet School for Girls
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 Tel: 0844 477 2525
 Email personnel@northfleetgirls.kent.sch.uk

Health and Society Cluster

Dartford

Salary: TBA
Closing Date: Tuesday, 18 May 2010
To apply/more information:
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Physical World subject Cluster

Dartford

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To apply/more information:
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 Tel: 0844 477 2525
 Email personnel@northfleetgirls.kent.sch.uk

Lecturer in Civil Engineering

Medway

Salary: £26,283 - £28,463 per annum
Closing Date: Wednesday 26 May 2010
To apply/more information:
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 Tel: 01634
 Email job.applications@midkent.ac.uk

Welfare Assistant

Sittingbourne

Salary: £16,793 - £18,471 pro rata
Closing Date: Friday, 21 May 2010
To apply/more information:
 Westlands School (The)
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 HR Manager
 Furley Page Solicitors
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Email hr@furleypage.co.uk

Art Technician

Aylesford

Salary: Kent Scheme 3 - Points 7 - 11
Closing Date: 21st May 2010
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 Jill McKenna
 Aylesford School - Sports College
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01622 717341
 Email jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk

Part-time Teacher of Art

Gillingham

Salary: See below
Closing Date: 21 May 2010
To apply/more information:
 Medway Council
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01634 337111
 Email pattj009@medway.org.uk

Headteacher's Personal Assistant

Gravesend

Salary: Pro rata to £19,959.29 to £22875.30 pa
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Maidstone

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 Email ataylor@scarab-sales.com

Engineering Apprentices

Medway

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To apply/more information:
 IPS International Ltd
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Email janiceclarke@ips-international.com

Legal

Family Fee Earners

Margate

Salary: TBA
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 Boys & Maughan
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 Email hr@furleypage.co.uk

Motor Trade, Driver

Fully Skilled Technician

Canterbury

Salary: TBA
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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Email adrian.pile@northgate-alfa.co.uk

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Ashford

Salary: .
To apply/more information:
 Lorraine
 D&D Autos
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01233 504765
 Email lorraine@ddautosashford.co.uk

Motor Vehicle Technician

Ashford

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 D&D Autos
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 Email lorraine@ddautosashford.co.uk

Experienced Car Sales Executive

Bexley

Salary: TBA
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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 020 8304 8198
 Email trevor.howard@whitehousegroup.co.uk

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Bexley

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To apply/more information:
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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 020 8304 8198
 Email trevor.howard@whitehousegroup.co.uk

Fully skilled M.O.T tester and mechanics

Dartford

Salary: TBA
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 Claremont Motors
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 Tel: 0208 8542325
 Email info@claremontmotors.co.uk

Service Receptionist

Dartford

Salary: TBA
To apply/more information:
 Claremont Motors
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 0208 8542325
 Email info@claremontmotors.co.uk

Experienced Sales Executive

Maidstone

Salary: TBA

To apply/more information:
 Whitehouse Maidstone
 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Email mark.wood@whitehousegroup.co.uk

Sunday Receptionist

Maidstone

Salary: TBA
To apply/more information:
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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Email mark.wood@whitehousegroup.co.uk

SALES ADMINISTRATOR

Sevenoaks

Salary: TBA
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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01732 740740
 Email sue.byrom@caffyns.co.uk

Nursing, Medicine, Care Work

Assistant Manager

Folkestone

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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01303 254019
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Canterbury

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Deal

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To apply/more information:
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 Quoting Job Ref: kos
 Tel: 01304 372312
 Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

Support Workers

Sandwich

HIGHWAYS - District of Ashford

B2067 WOODCHURCH ROAD, TENTERDEN
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of carriageway surface dressing, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on the B2067 Woodchurch Road, Tenterden, on or after 18 May 2010, for an estimated period of 2 days or until the works are complete.

It is planned that the works will be carried out between the hours of 9.30 am and 3.30 pm.

The road will be closed in sections, between the junctions of Beacon Oak Road and Preston Hill Lane. The alternative route for through traffic will be via Beacon Oak Road, A28 Ashford Road, Woodchurch Road, Bethersden, Bethersden Road, Woodchurch, Front Road and Brook Street.

STATION ROAD, HOTHFIELD
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of BT cabling works, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Station Road, Hothfield, on or after 1 June 2010, for an estimated period of 4 days or until the works are complete. It is planned that the works will be carried out between the hours of 9.30 am and 3.30 pm, with the road re-opened outside these hours.

The road will be closed between the junctions with Maidstone Road and Cades Road. The alternative route for through traffic will be via Maidstone Road and Cades Road.

VARIOUS ROADS, BETHERSDEN
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of carriageway strengthening and resurfacing, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Various Roads, Bethersden on or after 1 June 2010 for an estimated period of 5 days or until the works are complete.

Road Name: Chester Avenue
Dates: 1 June for up to 3 days
Extent: for its entire length
Diversion: there is no alternative route as it is a cul-de-sac

Road Name: Church Hill
Dates: 3 June 2010 for up to 3 days.
Extent: between St Margaret's Church and the junction with Wissenden Lane.
Diversion: via School Road, A28 Ashford Road, Forge Hill and The Street

Road Name: Forgefield
Dates: 3 June 2010 for up to 3 days.
Extent: at its junction with Church Hill, for a distance of approximately 30 metres.
Diversion: there is no alternative route as it is a cul-de-sac

Whilst Church Hill is closed, there will be limited access to Chester Avenue and Forgefield.

Every effort will be made to maintain access for residents whenever safe to do so, but there will be times when this is not possible.

HIGHWAYS - District of Canterbury

ST DUNSTAN'S STREET, CANTERBURY
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because track renewal and maintenance works, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on St Dunstan's Street, Canterbury, on or after 22 May 2010, on various dates as shown in the table below.

Start Date	Time	End Date	Time
Saturday 22 May 2010	5.00 pm	Monday 24 May 2010	6.00 am
Monday 24 May 2010	11.00 pm	Tuesday 25 May 2010	6.00 am
Tuesday 25 May 2010	11.00 pm	Wednesday 26 May 2010	6.00 am
Tuesday 22 June 2010	11.00 pm	Wednesday 23 June 2010	6.00 am
Wednesday 23 June 2010	11.00 pm	Thursday 24 June 2010	6.00 am

The road will be closed for a distance of approximately 10 metres either side of the level crossing. The alternative route for through traffic will be via St Dunstan's Street, London Road, Rheims Way and St Peter's Place.

This Order will come into force from Monday 17 May 2010, will be in operation when the appropriate signs are displayed, and will remain valid for a maximum period of eighteen months. The order will allow the above-mentioned restrictions to be implemented as and when required for works of a similar nature, at any time for the duration of the order.

HIGHWAYS - District of Dover

VARIOUS ROADS, SHEPHERDSWELL
(RESTRICTED ROADS) (AMENDMENT NO 1) ORDER 2010
EYTHORNE ROAD, DOVER (40 MPH SPEED LIMIT)
ORDER 2010

Notice is hereby given that the Kent County Council proposes to make the above named Order under section 84(1), (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (hereinafter called "the Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act,

The effect of the first named Order will extend the existing 30 mph speed limit on Coxhill Road to a point in line with the south western boundary of Rose Cottage (a distance of approximately 837 metres).

The effect of the second named Order will introduce a 40 mph speed limit on Eythorne Road from the existing termination point of the 30 mph speed limit at a point 55 metres east of the centre line of the junction of Barfrestone Road to the junction with Great Haynes and Long Lane (a distance of approximately 425 metres).

Full details are contained in the draft Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Dover District Council, White Cliffs Business Park, Dover, at Kent Highway Services, Ashford Highway Depot, Javelin Way, Henwood Industrial Estate, Ashford and at Invicta House, Maidstone between 9.00am and 5pm.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order you should send the grounds in writing to the Kent Highway Services, Ashford Highway Depot, Javelin Way, Henwood Industrial Estate, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to td.canterbury.thanet@kent.gov.uk by noon on Monday, 7 June 2010.

COOMBE VALLEY ROAD AND ST RADIGUND'S ROAD, DOVER
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of gas mains replacement and a bridge collision protection scheme, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Coombe Valley Road, Dover and restricting traffic on St Radigund's Road, Dover. This takes effect on or after 1 June 2010 for an estimated period of 16 weeks, or until the works are complete.

The effect of the Order is as follows

Coombe Valley Road, Dover

To prohibit traffic between the junctions with London Road and Edgar Road.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Coombe Valley Road, Barwick Road, St Radigund's Road, Bunkers Hill Road, Hillside Road, Crabble Avenue, Crabble Road, Crabble Hill, Buckland Avenue, Cherry Tree Avenue and London Road.

St Radigund's Road, Dover

To temporarily suspend the Dover District Council (Various Roads, Dover) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions and One Way Traffic Etc) Order 1990 with the following effect

To make the section between the junctions with Magdala Road and Lister Close two-way, restricted to buses on stage carriage services.

To make the section between the junctions with Lister Close and London Road two-way, restricted to buses on stage carriage services and access for all vehicles to and from Lister Close.

To prohibit traffic between the junctions with Lister Close and Magdala Road, with the exception of buses and access

To prohibit Waiting at any time between the existing double yellow lines on that section of St Radigund's Road, between the junctions of London Road and Magdala Road.

The Order will remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months and will allow the above-mentioned restrictions to be implemented as and when required for works of a similar nature, at any time for the duration of the order.

VARIOUS ROADS, DOVER
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of carriageway repairs and resurfacing, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Various Roads, Dover, as shown in the schedule to this Order, on or after 1 June 2010, for an estimated period of 2 weeks or until the works are complete.

The extent of each road affected and the alternative route for through traffic are as shown in the Schedule.

Schedule

Road Name Extent	Gilford Road, Deal between the junctions with Victoria Road and Park Avenue
Dates Alternative route	From 3 June 2010 to 4 June 2010 The Strand, Dover Road, Cornwall Road, Hamilton Road, Mill Road and Park Avenue
Road Name Extent	Cornwall Road, Deal between the junctions with Dover Road and Telegraph Road
Dates Alternative route	From 1 June 2010 to 2 June 2010 Dover Road, The Strand, Gilford Road, Park Avenue, Mill Road and Hamilton Road.
Road Name Extent	Church Hill, Shepherdswell between the junctions with Eythorne Road and Mill Lane
Dates Alternative route	From 1 June 2010 to 3 June 2010 Eythorne Road, Great Haynes, Mill Lane
Road Name Extent	Mill Top, Nonington between the junctions with Kelk Hill and Sandwich Road
Dates Alternative route	7 June 2010 to 9 June 2010 (3 days) Sandwich Lane and Mill Lane
Road Name Extent	Somerset Road, Walmer between the junctions with Telegraph Road and Havelock Road
Date Alternative route	4 June 2010 (1 day) Telegraph Road, Cornwall Road, Downs Road and Somerset Road
Road Name Extent	Church Hill, Eythorne between the junctions with Wigmore Lane and Barfrestone Road
Dates Alternative route	From 2 June 2010 to 3 June 2010 Shepherdswell Road, Long Lane, Barfrestone Lane and Barfrestone Road
Road Name Extent Date Alternative route	Milner Crescent, Aylesham At the junction with Dorman Avenue North Monday 7 June 2010 (1 day) Dorman Avenue North, Market Place, Boulevard Courrieres

**Road Name
Extent** **Geddinge Lane, Denton With Wootton**
between the junctions with A2 to Wootton Lane

**Dates
Alternative routes** From 5 June 2010 and 7 June 2010 (2 days)
Westbound via the A2 Dover Road, Shelvin Farm Road and Shelvin Lane; Eastbound via Wootton Lane, Swanton Lane, Lydden Hill, A2 Dover Road.

**Road Name
Extent** **Cornwallis Avenue, Aylesham**
between the junctions with Dorman Avenue North and Grasmere Way

**Dates
Alternative route** From 8 June 2010 to 10 June 2010
Dorman Ave North, Market Place, Kings Road and Cornwallis Avenue

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Gravesham

SHRUBBERY ROAD, GRAVESEND
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY
ORDER 2009 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT
1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY
RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Shrubbery Road, Gravesend between its junctions with Clarence Place and South Hill Road.

The Order will become effective on 17th May 2010, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 7 days. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Rouge Lane and Clarence Place.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate installation of new gas and electric supply services

HIGHWAYS - District of Sevenoaks

VARIOUS ROADS, SEVENOAKS
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY
ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT
1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY
RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on various roads, Sevenoaks as noted in attached Schedule 1.

The Order will become effective on 17th May 2010, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last as noted in Schedule 1. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: as noted in the schedule.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate works as noted in the Schedule.

Schedule 1

Road Name: Church Road, Sundridge.
Extent: For approx 300m from junction with A25 Main Road.
Date: 17th May 2010 for 2 nights between 19.00 – 05.00hours.
Diversion: A25 Main Road, New Road and Church Road
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: A225 Shoreham Road, Otford.
Extent: Between its junctions with Greenhill Road and Otford Village Gateway Pad.
Date: 17th May 2010 for 4 nights between 19.00 – 05.00hours.
Diversion: A225 Shoreham Road, Station Road, High Street Eynsford, A20 Main Road, Gorse Hill, London Road, Wrotham Heath, A25 Maidstone Road, Sevenoaks Road, Borough Green Road, Igham ByPass, Sevenoaks Road, Maidstone Road, High Street Seal, Seal Road, A225 Otford Road, Sevenoaks Road, Station Road and Shoreham Road.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: A225 Shoreham Road, Shoreham.
Extent: Under Railway Bridge at Preston Farm.
Date: 20th May 2010 for 3 nights between 19.00 – 05.00hours.

Diversion: A225 Shoreham Road, Station Road, High Street Eynsford, A20 Main Road, Gorse Hill, London Road, Wrotham Heath, A25 Maidstone Road, Sevenoaks Road, Borough Green Road, Igham ByPass, Sevenoaks Road, Maidstone Road, High Street Seal, Seal Road, A225 Otford Road, Sevenoaks Road, Station Road and Shoreham Road.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: Swanley Lane, Swanley.
Extent: Between its junctions with New Road and Woodgers Grove.
Date: 24th May 2010 for 2 nights between 19.00 – 05.00hours.

Diversion: B258 Swanley Lane, Main Road, Top Dartford Road, Barn End Lane, High Road, Church Hill, A225 Hawley Road, Oakfield Lane, A2018 Old Bexley Lane, Dartford Road, Vicarage Road, A223 North Cray Road, B2173 Maidstone Road, London Road, Bartholomew Way and B258 Swanley Lane.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: Seal Hollow Road, Sevenoaks.
Extent: For approx 350m through double bends at junction with Hillingdon Avenue.

Date: 25th May 2010 for 3 nights between 19.00 – 05.00hours.
Diversion: B2019 Seal Hollow Road, A25 Seal Road, A225 St John's Hill, Dartford Road and B2019 Seal Hollow Road.

Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: B2027 Four Elms Road, Edenbridge.
Extent: Between its junctions with Swan Lane to Five Fields Lane.
Date: 26th May 2010 for 4 nights between 19:00 – 05:00 hours.
Diversion: B2027 Four Elms Road, B2026 Station Road, Main Road, B269 Spout Lane, Pootings Road and B2027 Four Elms Road
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: A225 London Road, Riverhill.
Extent: Between Morleys Roundabout and Gracious Lane.
Date: 2nd June 2010 for 5 nights 20:00 – 05:00 hours.
Diversion: A21 Sevenoaks ByPass, A25 Westerham Road, Worships Hill, A224 Amherst Hill, London Road, Tubs Hill, London Road and A225 Tonbridge Road.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: Hever Road, Edenbridge.
Extent: Between Warsop Trading Estate and New House Farm Road.
Date: 7th June 2010 for 5 days.
Diversion: Hever Road, B2026 Mill Hill, Hartfield Road, Buckhurst Lane, Uckfield Lane and Hever Road.
Purpose: Carriageway to be planed and resurfaced.

Road Name: Wellers Town Road, Chiddingstone.
Extent: Between its junctions with Hoath Corner and Hampkins Hill Road.
Date: 10th June 2010 for 6 days.
Diversion: High Street Chiddingstone, Lockskinners, Wilderness Lane, Lockskinners, Chiddingstone Hoath and Hoath Corner.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: Oak Lane, Sevenoaks.
Extent: Between its junctions with A225 tonbridge Road to Brittains Lane.
Date: 16th June 2010 for 5 days.
Diversion: A225 Tonbridge Road, A224 London Road, Tubs Hill, London Road and Brittains Lane.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: Wheatsheaf Hill, Sundridge.
Extent: Between its junctions with Nightingale Lane and Scallops.
Date: 18th June 2010 for 8 days.
Diversion: B2042 Wheatsheaf Hill, Chevening Road, Cold Arbor Road, A25 Westerham Road, Main Road, High Street Brasted, Westerham Road, Brasted Road, Westerham Road, B2026 Hosey Hill, Hosey Common Road, Main Road, B269 Spout Lane, Pootings Road, B2042 Green Lane and Ide Hill Road.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

Road Name: Croydon Road, Westerham.
Extent: Between its junctions with A25 High Street and Farley Lane.
Date: 29th June 2010 for 4 days.
Diversion: B2024 Croydon Road, Clarks Lane, B269 Titsey Hill, Titsey Road, High Street Limpsfield, A25 Westerham Road, High Street Westerham.
Purpose: Carriageway plane and resurface.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Shepway

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – SECTION 116
STOPPING UP OF LAND AT LOWER SANDGATE ROAD,
FOLKESTONE.

I am giving notice that the Kent County Council propose to make an application to the Magistrates sitting at Folkestone Magistrates Court on 28 May 2010 at 10am for an Order under Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 to extinguish highway rights on the grounds that they are unnecessary on land at Lower Sandgate Road, Folkestone as shown in red on the plan on deposit.

A copy of this notice and the plan referred to are on deposit, and can be seen during normal office hours, at the main reception of Kent Highway Services at Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XQ and at the offices of Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, during normal opening times.

If you require further information or would like to discuss this matter, please contact Nicolette Davis of Kent Highway Services in writing at the address given below, or by telephone on 08458 247 800 (24 hour contact centre).

HIGHWAYS - District of Swale

HOLYWELL LANE, UPCURCH
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of BT works to replace damaged poles, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Holywell Lane, Upchurch, on or after 17 May 2010, for an estimated period of up to 5 days or until the works are complete.

It is planned that the works will be carried out between the hours of 9.30 am and 3.30 pm, with the road re-opened outside these hours.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of Holywell Farm. The alternative route for through traffic will be via Breach Lane, The Street and Halstow Lane.

HIGHWAYS - District of Thanet

COTTINGTON ROAD, MINSTER
(30 MPH SPEED LIMIT) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED
BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because of works in connection with the construction of the new East Kent Access Road, the Kent County Council has made an Order restricting traffic on Cottesington Road, Minster, on or after 17 May 2010, for an estimated period of 18 months.

The effect of the Order is to impose a temporary mandatory speed limit of 30 mph on the section of Cottesington Road, Minster, from a point 500 metres east of the junction with Thorn Hill for a distance of 400 metres eastwards, as and when the relevant signs are displayed on site.

For further information, please contact
Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800
(local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways



HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tunbridge Wells

MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD/GROSVENOR ROAD, TUNBRIDGE WELLS (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Mount Pleasant Road/Grosvenor Road between the junctions of Newton Road and Goods Station Road on or after Sunday 23rd May and Sunday 30th May and Monday 31st May 2010 for a period of up to 1/2 days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the restriction described above is via A264 Church Road, A26 London Road, A26 Mount Ephraim, Grosvenor Road, Upper Grosvenor Road, Meadow Road, Goods Station Road and vice versa.

Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary for carriageway resurfacing works. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Darren Hickman on 08458 247 800.

SHEFFIELD ROAD, SOUTHBOROUGH (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Sheffield Road at the junction of Draper Street on or after Wednesday 2nd June 2010 for a period of up to 1 day or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the restriction described above is via London Road, Pennington Road and Castle Street.

BT apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary cabling and jointing works. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Louise Skull on 08700 500792.

**For further information, please contact
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(local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways**



SWATLANDS LEVEL CROSSING, LUCKS LANE, PADDOCK WOOD (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Lucks Lane at Swatlands railway level crossing on Sunday 6th June 2010 between 0700hrs and 1800hrs or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is via Maidstone Road, Wagon Lane, Queen Street and Lucks Lane.

Network Rail apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary for track maintenance purposes. Should you require any further information regarding these works, their contact is Roger Casement of Roger Casement Traffic Management Services Ltd on 01227 366000.

A268 QUEEN STREET, SANDHURST (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on A268 Queen Street between Sponden Lane and Marsh Quarter Lane on or after Tuesday 1st June 2010 for a period of up to 1 day or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is via A268 Link Hill, A28 Hastings Road, A28 Rolvenden High Street, A28 Tenterden Road, Rolvenden Hill, Rolvenden Road, West Cross, Tenterden High Street, East Cross, Ashford Road, Silver Hill, A262 Biddenden Road, Tenterden Road, A262 Biddenden High Street, Sissinghurst Road, The Street, A229 Angley Road, Hartley Road, Hawkhurst Road, Cranbrook Road, A268 Rye Road, Megrims Hill, Queen Street.

Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for essential carriageway resurfacing works. Should you require any further information the Kent Highway Services contact is Tony Carreck on 08458 247 800.

**HIGHWAYS AGENCY**

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

1. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE TO PEMBURY DUALLING) ORDER 20..**
2. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE TO PEMBURY DUALLING) (DETRUNKING) ORDER 20..**
3. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE TO PEMBURY DUALLING SIDE ROADS) ORDER 20..**
4. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE BYPASS TO PEMBURY BYPASS DUALLING) ORDER 1996 (REVOCATION) ORDER 20...**
5. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE BYPASS TO PEMBURY BYPASS DUALLING SIDE ROADS) ORDER 1996 (REVOCATION) ORDER 20...**
6. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE BYPASS TO PEMBURY BYPASS DUALLING SLIP ROADS) ORDER 1996 (REVOCATION) ORDER 20...**
7. **THE A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE BYPASS TO PEMBURY BYPASS DUALLING) (DETRUNKING) ORDER 1996 (REVOCATION) ORDER 20...**
8. **A21 TRUNK ROAD (TONBRIDGE TO PEMBURY DUALLING) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER (NO) 20...**
9. **APPLICATION FOR THE DEMOLITION OF LISTED BUILDINGS UNDER THE PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a local Pre-Inquiry Meeting will be held in relation to the Secretary of State for Transport's proposal for the orders and planning application listed above.

THE LOCAL PRE-INQUIRY MEETING will be presided over by Mr J Watson BSc MICE FCIHT MCMI, an Inspector appointed on the nomination of the Planning Inspectorate, by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and the Secretary of State for Transport for the purposes of conducting inquiries into the above orders and planning application.

THE MEETING will be held on Wednesday 2nd June 2010 at the Ramada Jarvis Hotel, 8 Tonbridge Road, Pembury, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 4QL starting at 10.00am. All persons with an interest in the Public Inquiries are invited to attend.

THE MEETING will be held in accordance with Rule 5 of the Highways (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1994, Rules 4, 5 and 6 of the Compulsory Purchase (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2007 and Rule 5 of the Town and Country Planning (Inquiries Procedure) (England) Rules 2000.

Paul Arnold
Senior Manager, Highways Agency

Jennie Gilks
Government Office for the South East
12th May 2010.

**A21 TONBRIDGE TO PEMBURY DUALLING SCHEME PUBLICATION OF ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS**

The Highways Agency has published details of alternative proposals put forward for consideration for the A21 Tonbridge to Pembury Dualling scheme.

A leaflet showing the proposals has been posted to all houses within 1 km of the proposed scheme and can be found on the Highways Agency's website at www.highways.gov.uk/roads/projects/4003.aspx

Or you can write to the A21 Tonbridge to Pembury Team, Federated House, London Road, Dorking Surrey RH4 1SZ

If you would like to make any comments on the Alternative Proposals, please notify the Highways Agency in writing to the address above, or by e-mail at a21tonbridgetopembury@highways.gsi.gov.uk by Wednesday 3 June 2010.

**LICENSING ACT 2003
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
GRANT/VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE**

Notice is hereby given that Alison Pilkington has applied to Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council for the variation of a Premises Licence in respect of premises known as The Black Horse, 76 Maidstone Road, Borough Green, Sevenoaks, Kent. TN15 8HF. The application seeks the licence in respect of the following:

The sale of alcohol

Alteration to existing hours

The provision of regulated entertainment

Limited to within specified times, no performance exceeding three hours duration and no more than three events on any week. This application includes non musical entertainment.

The provision of late night refreshment

Food and beverages

Details of the register of record of the application can be viewed at the Tonbridge and Malling Council Offices (Licensing Dept), Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling during normal office hours. Any representations from interested parties or responsible authorities must be made in writing to the Council by Tuesday 8th June 2010.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction is a fine not exceeding £5000.

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS – NOTICES OF APPLICATIONS**

The following application has been submitted to the Council and is being advertised for the reason(s) given.

TM/10/00791/FL – Woodford Old Lane Ightham Sevenoaks Kent TN15 9AH
– Mr Joe Moore are applying for Stables. Reason: CA

Reason for the case being publicised:

CA Application is within/affects a Conservation Area

These applications are displayed on our website www.tmbc.gov.uk – click on the button “Online Planning” (then View Existing Applications and select Public Access). You can submit your comments by emailing to planning.applications@tmbc.gov.uk (please quote the application number by the date set out below). Please note that we will publish a copy of any representations received on the Council's website, including your name and address.

Copies of applications listed may be seen during office hours (8.30 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday). Any applications within Hadlow, Hildenborough and Tonbridge are available at Tonbridge Castle, Tonbridge. Other applications are available at the office of the Director of Planning, Transport & Leisure, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4LZ. Any representations should be made in writing quoting the application number by 6 June 2010.

David Hughes
Chief Executive
16 May 2010

**Town and Country Planning Acts**

Town and Country Planning Acts The Council is required to give notice of the following applications

10/01385/LBC White Chimneys Nineveh Lane, Benenden

- Listed Building Consent - Proposed ground floor extension (LB)

10/01229/HOUSE Osborn House High Street, Cranbrook And Sissinghurst

- Internal alterations, provision of a pair of doors to rear elevation and fence to front elevation (LB) (CA)

10/01232/LBC Osborn House High Street, Cranbrook And Sissinghurst

- Listed Building Consent - Internal alterations, provision of a pair of doors to rear elevation and fence to front elevation (LB)

10/01270/HOUSE 71 London Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Culverden

- Retrospective - Alterations to existing garage to provide ancillary accommodation for existing dwelling (LB) (CA)

10/01305/HOUSE 3 The Priory Church Road, Culverden

- Erection of summerhouse (LB) (CA)

10/01499/HOUSE 59 Broadwater Down Royal Tunbridge Wells, Pantiles & St Marks

- Side and rear single-storey extensions (CA)

(DEVPLN) Departure from the Development Plan (PROW) Affecting A Public Right of Way (CA) Affecting a Conservation Area (LB) Affecting a Listed Building (MAJOR) Major Applications (MAST) Mast Applications (EIA) Applications Accompanied by an EIA Statement.

You may view these applications on our website (www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk), at the The Old Fire Station, Stone Street, Cranbrook or at Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells. We accept comments online, by email to planningcomments@tunbridgewells.gov.uk or in writing to the address below. Comments should be made within 21 days from the date of this notice, although we may accept them after this date.

You should quote the reference and be aware that we make all comments available for inspection, placing them on the file and publishing them on the internet. We do not publish signatures, telephone numbers or email addresses on the internet.

Jim Kehoe
Head of Planning Services
Town Hall Royal Tunbridge Wells TN1 1RS
Dated: 15 May 2010



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IN THE BOROUGH OF TONBRIDGE AND MALLING**TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT & CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2010**

Notice is hereby given that Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council proposes to make an Order under Sections 32 and 35 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended, and of all other enabling powers, having obtained the consent of Kent County Council in accordance with Section 39(3) of the Act, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 of the Act.

The effect of the Order will be to revoke all existing Off Street Car Park Orders and incorporate their provisions, along with amendments thereto, in the above Order. The amendments are as follows:

1. Castle Grounds Car Park, Tonbridge. The limited parking for visitors (in designated Bays) to the Tonbridge Gateway Offices is increased to 30 minutes. Parking in Permit Holder Bays may take place on Saturdays upon the purchase of a Pay & Display ticket from the Upper Castle Field Car Park.

2. Aylesford (Bailey Bridge) Car Parks. The description will be amended to Aylesford (East of Bailey Bridge Road) and Aylesford (West of Bailey Bridge Road).

3. Snoll Hatch Car Park, East Peckham. This Car Park is removed from the Order as it is no longer controlled by the Borough Council.

4. Snodland Car Park. The nine parking spaces on the east side of the entrance road from the High Street are to have 1 hour limited parking, between the hours 8.00am to 6.00pm (no return 1 hour) Monday - Thursday.

5. Western Road Car Park, Borough Green. The wording of the Order is to be amended so as to prevent consecutive 2 hour 'free tickets' being obtained throughout the day.

6. Blue Bell Hill Car Park, Aylesford. The wording of the Order is to be amended to remove the charge for parking on a Saturday.

7. Leybourne Lakes Country Park; Haysden Country Park (including Main Car Park and the two Car Parks at Haysden Water), and Audley Rise Car Park, Tonbridge. These Car Parks are to be combined into one group as terms and conditions are the same. In particular, a Joint Season Ticket is to be introduced at the existing charge of £25. Pay and Display tickets may be purchased in the Main Car Park for use in each of these car parks.

A copy of the draft Order, together with a copy of the Orders that will be revoked and consolidated, and a Statement of the Council's Reasons for making the Order, may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of Tonbridge and Malling Council, (Kings Hill, West Malling or Tonbridge Castle) and the Kent County Council, Sessions House, County Hall Maidstone, Kent.

Anyone wishing to support these proposals, or object to them, should write, stating reasons and quoting the name of the Order, to the Director of Planning, Transportation and Leisure, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4LZ, by no later than **12 noon on Monday 7th June, 2010.**

If you have any questions concerning the proposed Order or require further information please contact the Parking Manager, 01732 876260, during normal office hours.

Steve Humphrey
Director of Planning Transportation & Leisure



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ASX finally strikes after stealthy approach to UK

IT CREPT up quietly almost on the blindside, but it's Mitsubishi's striking entry into the fast-growing 'crossover' sector.

And it could be the biggest surprise package since its most obvious rival arrived, the Nissan Qashqai.

Called the Mitsubishi ASX it promises to deliver the same compact SUV (sports utility vehicle)/mini-people carrier/family hatchback and estate formula targeted by the Nissan, Peugeot 3008, Skoda Yeti and Hyundai ix35.

It's also a rugged looking thing with its crisp lines and the distinctive 'jet fighter' nose that has given the Mitsubishi range such a lift in the market.

Mitsubishi's UK managing director Lance Bradley called the ASX a potential new brand "hero", which I reckon is better than being known for the legendary, but small volume Mitsi EVO road-going rally cars.

By **STEVE LOADER**

He added: "This is the right car, at the right time, at the right price and specification. The CO2 reducing technologies will appeal to fleets, user-choosers and retail customers alike – indeed, early customer reaction has been very positive with advance orders already taken.

"We're targeting customers who would traditionally buy a C-segment car, such as the VW Golf and Ford Focus, but also people looking to downsize from their SUV or family estate car. With the ASX you really do get the best of every world."

The car's labelling comes from Active Sports Crossover and it really will be competitively priced from £14,999 to £22,049 when it hits showrooms on July 1.

Like its rivals, the ASX will sell largely in front-wheel drive format though a 4x4 system is offered on the 147bhp 1.8 DiD diesel

version. The 115bhp 1.6-litre petrol alternative is tipped to be the best-seller though, with a 55 per cent slice of the cake.

Pulling power looks a bit lightweight on paper, but it will undercut its diesel sister by about £2,000 – a powerful attraction in cash-strapped Britain.

Despite its SUV styling, the ASX definitely does not fit the mould; the newcomer features all the low-emission/higher economy habits buyers now require and uses Mitsubishi's automatic Stop and Go system to be greener in town traffic, electric power steering, low rolling resistance tyres, regenerative brakes, low viscosity oil, LED lighting and various weight reduction measures.

Other standard equipment is generous, comprising alloys, air con, stability and traction control, keyless entry and tilt and telescopic steering column.



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FIRST GEAR

Compiled by Steve Loader



Audi's A1 Mini basher

ORDER books have opened on Audi's new premium baby car – the A1.

It's smart and distinctive, in a sector increasingly important to well-heeled buyers. BMW certainly won't be happy that its big-selling Mini now faces head-on competition of such quality.

Priced from £13,145-£18,280, standard kit includes alloys, electronic stability control, remote central locking, air con, electric front windows and mirrors and a six-speaker sound system with auxiliary/iPod connection.

Power in this launch phase

comes from three turbocharged diesel and petrol units starting with a lively 86PS (84bhp) 1.2-litre petrol that delivers a 0-62mph time of 11.7 seconds with 55.4mpg capability and low CO2 of 118g/km.

Then comes another petrol, the 122PS (120bhp) 1.4 TFSI available with manual or seven-speed S tronic twin-clutch transmission – the latter allows 0-62mph in 8.9 seconds and similar fuel and emissions figures to the 1.2.

Then comes the 1.6-litre diesel: 0-62mph in 10.5 seconds, potential 70.6mpg economy and a near road tax-exempt 105g/km of CO2.

4x4 Nissans clean-up their image

NISSAN has also opened order books on its uprated Pathfinder and Navara 4x4 twins to deliver more specification, performance and economy with lower emissions.

The Pathfinder is essentially a family SUV version of the Navara – the UK's best-selling pick-up – and both have also received subtle styling changes.

Pricing starts at £19,807 for the Navara Acenta King Cab.

The up-spec Navara Tekna, available only in double cab form, costs from £24,389.50. New standard features on the Navara Acenta entry specification includes side and



curtain airbags, stability control, front fog lights, new seat cloth, additional cabin storage.

Prices for the Pathfinder start at £28,495 for the Acenta 2.5 dCi 190

and Nissan is quick to point out that CO2 emissions across both ranges have dropped by an average of 15 per cent. The new models arrive in September.

Early start for Mazda's tax-beating Six



ZOOM-Zoom motor brand Mazda has revised its company car star for 2010, and put it on the market weeks early to meet demand.

Dartford-based Mazda UK says the new look Mazda6 hatchback and estate line-up has been refreshed inside and out and Benefit in Kind tax, fuel economy and CO2 emissions all improved – the last by up to 6.1 per cent to 138g/km.

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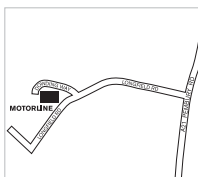
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Pick up a car while shopping

TUNBRIDGE Wells Hyundai reckons taking on the Korean franchise last August has transformed its business.

On top of additional sales to complement a long-running Suzuki franchise on the same site in Dowding Way, an unusual new sales venture by the company is also being endorsed by Hyundai.

This is a pilot project to take a retail unit in Tunbridge Wells’ popular Royal Victoria Place shopping centre.

Dean Stoner, sales manager of Tunbridge Wells Suzuki/Hyundai told Driving: “We’ve used open space within that shopping centre before and it has led to many useful sales leads.

“The benefit is that you reach people who might not be actively shopping for a

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car, but see something they like while out with the family, who also get the chance to check out whether they like the car.”

By taking the shop – a former Burtons outlet – the company also gets the chance to display up to five cars rather than a couple in the shopping centre’s public areas.

The shop opened this month on a trial basis, but Mr Stoner hopes it will become a long-term fixture to fit with the Hyundai momentum.

The brand did well with the first phase of Scrappage – its i10 city car was a UK best-sell-

er at various times – but the scheme was running out of cash at the time the Tunbridge Wells site took the franchise.

Nevertheless, the new franchise saw a sharp sales upturn, said Mr Stoner, and a further surge when the Government gave Scrappage top-up funding.

When the scheme ended in March, Hyundai then launched its ‘Trade and Upgrade’ part exchange – a sort of ‘son of Scrappage’ – and is also planning a World Cup promotion.

“It’s this kind of marketing drive and buzz that really helps us sell cars,” said Mr Stoner, who claimed Hyundai’s well-known five-year warranty and award-winning reliability actually now seemed to be less crucial to customers – “it’s more product-led now,” he said.

The big success lately has been the new Hyundai ix35 ‘crossover’ (pictured), which

replaces the former Tucson SUV and now tackles the Nissan Qashqai head on.

“As soon we get stock in, it’s gone and many of the buyers are conversions from other brands. Some admit they have been snobby about the badge before, but they can see the ix35 ticks all their boxes.”

Asked whether there is too much overlap between the Hyundai and the site’s long-running franchise with Suzuki dealer – it also sold the Japanese brand’s motorcycles until recently – Mr Stoner insists that they actually work well together.

“The focus of both brands is small cars so people are encouraged by the fact they have even more choice than they would with a single brand onsite – Hyundai means that they also have access to estate models and diesel auto models, too,” he said.

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Is this the new Alfasud?

IT MIGHT sound fanciful to suggest the exhilaration of the Alfasud (1976-1989) matched that of early aeroplanes.

But it's an analogy with a sting in its tail, for while the little Italian sporting hatchback offered great sporting fun and conquest of its chosen element – even in the hands of a modest driver – it also had the same feeling of flimsiness.

Okay, the Sud might not plummet from the sky and kill you if a vital part fractured, but it could end up burning at the roadside.

And after what seemed an alarmingly short space of time it was not too far-fetched to imagine bump-starting the car – Fred Flintstone-style – by sticking your size 10s through the (by now) rusted-out floor.

However, Sud nostalgia lingered and many later Alfas collapsed beneath the burden of expectation of a new affordable sports star from the charismatic Italian marque.

However, the MiTo supermini (from £12,445) launched last year ended the wait: it looks terrific, comes with lots of features – including a standard-fit DNA three-way setting for the handling and throttle settings – and appears robust.

The big bonus though is a major overhaul of the range within a year of launch bringing improved MultiAir engines, with more power yet lower emissions and the impressive Cloverleaf flagship tested here.

Lately, Alfa had dabbled with the GTA suffix to denote its most barnstorming cars and with notable lack of success; I reckon the recent 147GTA was unruly enough to have been used as a simulator for one of those 19th century stunts where someone was launched over the Niagara Falls in a barrel.

DrivingReview



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Alfa MiTo

The new MiTo Cloverleaf (£17,895), on the other hand, not only revives a sporting good luck charm applied to the marque's blood red cars during its racing heyday, but has the lightness and charm of a Sud at its fiercest.

It's not perfect of course; it's part of the Alfa's charm that something will chaff at the back of the neck somehow, but it is a cracking little car.

I've always preached – predictably perhaps – that Alfas must be red, but the test car looked stunning in bright yellow and equally good in black. This is a tribute to the curves the designers have worked into a comparatively small yet practical car.

But the real seduction is behind the Cloverleaf's wheel; I already knew the MiTo was a great little point and shoot supermini, whichever engine you have, but this takes



things a stage further and can even average 50mpg if you are sensible.

The Cloverleaf will turn your head.

There is a free-revving 170bhp on tap from a 1.4-litre petrol unit – 0-62mph in 7.5 seconds – and even with the top 'Dynamic' throttle and suspension DNA setting there is no steering wheel fight or scrabbling of the front wheels as they battle to put down the power, though I can imagine knocking the DNA setting back to normal when it gets wet.

The Cloverleaf can also be flicked through its six gears rapidly, helped by a specially

shortened lever in this version.

The MiTo caveats are the usual ones; the cabin is not the most spacious in class and not helped by small rear windows and the boot might be large, but there is a high lip to struggle suitcases and shopping over. But this is less supermini and more baby coupé thanks to bags of style and great powertrains including diesels.

As sales show though, it is the free-revving petrols that turn on would-be MiTo buyers, who end up with a car that is cheaper, more stylish and less common than the increasingly ubiquitous Mini.

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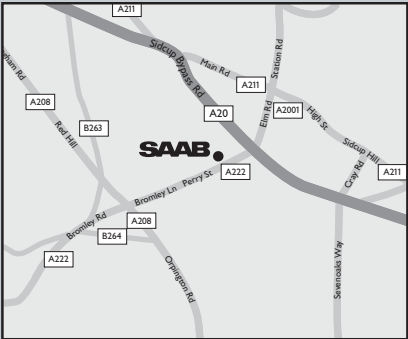
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OUR new coalition Government is less than a month away from a major decision on whether Lydd Airport's expansion should be cleared for take-off.

It's taken a lot of determination to reach this point – as this week's Big Interview with airport boss, entrepreneur and former airline captain Jonathan Gordon confirms.

And corporate tax guru Margaret Connolly offers her views on Supertax and how tax planning is now in the national interest. She has a point.

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Carter's coalition relief

BUSINESS across Kent received a powerful tonic this week with the founding of David Cameron's coalition Government, according to Kent County Council leader Paul Carter, *writes Steve Loader*.

It was "the most extraordinary result at the end of a most extraordinary five days in politics," he said, but none too soon for many entrepreneurs and companies worn down by Government red tape and inconsiderate banks.

Cllr Carter said: "So many of my colleagues of the same age are wanting to put up the white flag, not roll the dice again, not take the risk, because of the draconian terms and conditions – if you are lucky enough to be allowed to borrow money from the banks – imposed upon us."

But the KCC chief, speaking after opening the new Garden Room hospitality venue at Turkey Mill, Maidstone, said Kent business should be encouraged by the new PM's stated belief in "stronger businesses and economic growth and increased employment".

And he hoped it would lead to less "grotesque" regulation and bureaucracy, and to a banking regime that "actually supports enterprise and business growth and makes sure it is a friend to small and medium-sized business, the backbone of commerce and industry." Cllr Carter added: "This country is suffering from an illness I refer to as excess regulation and compliance disorder that really does sap the lifeblood of industry and commerce."

Looking at the General Election, he was pleased by the Conservative 'bluewash' that deposed the county's seven Labour MPs and relieved by the national follow-up.

"I was delighted to see the coalition discussions with the Liberal Democrats actually succeeded and we weren't going to have a coalition of the failures actually running this country."

"But on reflection, David Cameron had a secret weapon. What an unpleasant prospect it must have been for Nick Clegg to have had to consider climbing into bed with Peter Mandelson."



CHANGE: KCC leader Paul Carter, inset, has welcomed the new Government under the leadership of Lib Dem Nick Clegg and Prime Minister David Cameron

Continuing the lighter mood, he also cited some losers of the election: Lembit Opik – "One Cheeky Girl too many"; Nigel Farage – "Whose campaign never really got off the ground"; and Jacqui Smith – "One DVD too many."

The sigh of relief at the new coalition was also heard around the county's business community and reported by one of the South East's largest chambers of commerce, Kent Invicta.

Chief executive Jo James said: "The lack of a new Government was causing uncertainty. Everyone just wanted a decision so a plan could be formulated to tackle the country's problems."

She admitted that most of the chamber's 1,200 members – spread across the Ashford, Canterbury, Maidstone and west Kent areas – were at least pleased that Kent is now almost

completely blue. But this was balanced by uncertainty about the coalition and clear divisions between the Conservatives and Lib Dems on key issues such as the euro and the EU, immigration and nuclear power – an issue close to the heart of Kent due to Dungeness power station.

"The devil will be in the detail and the detail is not yet clear," she said, but added: "Business has to be at the heart of any plan they put in place. It is what will get us out of recession and the Government has to help, not hinder."

Scrapping proposed national insurance rises – dubbed the 'tax on jobs' – would be a start, she said, but also called for a measured approach on tax increases and public spending cuts.

"We know it won't be easy, but they [the coalition] have got to get on and work quickly."

Start-Up Stars given chance to shine

BUDDING Kent entrepreneurs are being sought for the 10th HSBC Start-Up Stars Awards.

They could be shortlisted as a regional finalist and go on to the entrepreneurial showdown in London.

The launch of the national awards coincides with new figures showing confidence running high among would-be new business owners. HSBC reports a 13 per cent increase in the average weekly number of start-ups.

HSBC's head of business banking, Huw Morgan, said: "Start-Up Stars Awards are a reminder of the resilience of the British entrepreneurial spirit."

"New companies are the lifeblood of our economy and we are delighted to support the aspirations of a new generation of business owners who want to go it alone."

If you know a Start-Up Star running a Kent company less than four years old, and think they deserve a share of £50,000 of business grants, nominate them at

www.startupstars.hsbc.co.uk by May 28.

As well as crowning an overall Start-Up Star, there are awards for businesses with a focus on green issues and for those that have expanded into international markets.

Nominated companies will have until June 25 to submit entries and convince the judges why they should represent the London and South East region at the National Finals gala dinner at London's Dorchester Hotel in October.

Why franchisees have reasons to be more cheerful

835 the year before. Estimated start-up costs have also declined slightly and new entrants can expect to pay £46,700 in franchise fees and other associated costs to their franchisor – down from 2008's £50,000.

Graeme Jones, head of NatWest's franchise team, said: "It's encouraging to see continued growth in specific sectors, such as personal services, where franchise systems

have grown by 38 per cent in five years.

"We look after more franchisees than any other bank and have seen far more optimism from customers about the coming year in comparison with 12 months ago when confidence was low."

BFA director general Brian Smart was also upbeat: "Franchised businesses have weathered the storm extremely well, which is not surprising if you look at how franchising has proven itself over the years."

"The combination of wider business support, training and economies of scale, with the determination, enterprising nature and local business focus makes franchise businesses a very robust offering."

"This year has highlighted this particularly well with success rates of franchise businesses not dropping even in the recession."

FRANCHISE operators in Kent and the South East have stayed upbeat despite a tough year, according to a new report.

It shows 94 per cent are optimistic about future business and 90 per cent have remained profitable.

There has also been an 86 per cent jump in women franchisees, according to the 26th annual survey by the British Franchise Association (BFA), sponsored by NatWest.

Franchising was worth £11.8 billion to the UK economy during 2009 – up £400 million on the previous year – and our region contributed nearly a sixth of that.

Average turnover was also nearly three per cent up to £335,000 for 2009 and the range of opportunities in franchising continue to climb – 842 were on the market in 2009 compared with

Comment ...

THERE was a huge sigh of relief this week as we secured a Government of sorts.

While horse-trading dragged on after the inconclusive General Election result, it had been easy to see confidence ebbing away at home and abroad.

So the Con-Lib deal came in the nick of time and both parties seem keen to create the strongest possible coalition, short of Winston Churchill's wartime version.

We are in a crisis, though, and must hope the mixing of Conservative blue and Liberal Democrat orange is not an ill omen – it produces a shade of brown, not the most popular colour on the business scene. However, this community must thank Gordon and Co for the advice and mechanisms put in place to smooth the way for stepping up UK exports.

While sucking in cheap exports, especially from the Far East, helped accelerate the UK economy's catastrophic fall, the message I keep hearing is that it is time to take advantage of our now much-reduced currency to launch an export drive.

We used to be good at that sort of thing before we started believing all that stuff about the wonderful 'invisible earnings' of the City, which helped get us in this mess.

FANS of Apple's seemingly invincible iPhone had to digest unpalatable news from the USA in the first quarter of this year.

Despite the iPhone's headline-grabbing ability, it is now being out-sold by smartphone rivals like the Droid and Droid Eris, using Google's Android operating software.

These two phones together took a 28 per cent share of the new phone market compared with the iPhone's 21 per cent.

Significantly though, the business user's darling, the BlackBerry, is the runaway sector leader on 36 per cent.

Meanwhile, as market watchers ponder whether Apple's new iPad tablet computer really is the innovative company's next big thing, Google is said to be padding up with its own rival tablet device and already has a well-known search engine to work with it ...

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The Business for Kent team visit the Ramsgate Brewery, maker of Taste of Kent award-winning beer Gadds No.3

'The Supertax doom-mongers got it wrong'

DOOM-merchants predicted that the announcement of a 50 per cent tax rate, catching incomes above £150,000, would lead to a mass exodus of the wealthy, **writes Margaret Connolly, head of corporate tax at Reeves and Neylan.**

High earners would apparently be heading for the exit as fast as their feet – and Icelandic volcanoes – would allow.

In reality, this has not happened. The decision to sever ties with the UK and thereby disrupt longstanding family relationships is not one to be taken lightly.

Meanwhile, the tax authorities are increasingly cracking down on 'pretend' departures. Witness Robert Gaines-Cooper's attempt to claim residence in the Seychelles while regularly returning to the UK, which achieved considerable coverage in the national press – an unusual distinction for a tax case.

That's all right, then. The deficit has to be brought under control and those who can most afford to pay are properly being required to contribute their fair share.

If only things were that simple. While the new tax rate has not driven out a substantial number of UK

residents, there is evidence that it is persuading potential new residents to locate elsewhere.

The UK needs a regular infusion of highly skilled, and highly paid, scientists, entrepreneurs and (whisper it) bankers.

For these individuals, the introduction of the 50 per cent tax rate has served as a sort of tipping point, evidence that the UK is no longer a rewarding place in which to do business and that their skills would be better employed elsewhere.

There is an irony here in that with careful planning and competent professional advice, the Supertax can often be neutered.

Income-producing assets can be redirected around the family unit, while investment portfolios can be recast to emphasise capital growth – the maximum rate of capital gains tax remains at 18 per cent.

Clearly this information needs to be distributed to potential high net



Margaret Connolly

worth incomers to persuade them to come to the UK, bringing economic growth in their train.

Therefore tax planning is now in the national interest.

Law students take on 'Magic Circle'

KENT Law Clinic at the University of Kent has been shortlisted for Pro Bono Team of the Year in The Lawyer Awards.

With a judging panel including some of the biggest names in law and business, The Lawyer Awards are recognised as the premier legal awards in the UK.

The shortlists are dominated by high-profile litigants, with teams from major City and international law firms and multinational companies represented in almost every category.

The Law Clinic is one of only a handful of public bodies to make the final selection and one of six nominees for the Pro Bono Award – two being so-called 'Magic Circle' law firms, a term used to describe an elite group of high-profile, London-based law firms.

John Fitzpatrick, senior lecturer at Kent Law School and director of Kent Law Clinic, said: "We're delighted at this recognition. We put the work of our immigration

and asylum team at the heart of our submission.

"Clinic solicitor Catherine Carpenter and a team of students have been doing outstanding work in representing and supporting those in need in this area."

Kent Law Clinic is a partnership between students, academics and solicitors and barristers in practice locally.

As part of Kent Law School, the clinic aims to enhance the legal education of students through their supervised provision of a public service for local people who need legal advice and representation but cannot afford to pay for it.

The Law Clinic has received awards recognising and celebrating its work, most recently having been awarded both a Queen's Anniversary Prize and the Times Higher Education Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Local Community. The winners of The Lawyer Awards 2010 will be announced during a ceremony at Grosvenor House in Park Lane, London, on Tuesday, June 22.

Showing how to build a business

THE Be An Amazing Business Builder Show is now gearing up to welcome visitors on Monday and Tuesday, May 24-25, at the Inn On The Lake, Gravesend.

Claimed to be a new concept in business promotion, it focuses on the start, growth and profit business cycle and stands are zoned to reflect this.

Attendees are offered free entry to the exhibition and five seminars from experts in their

field, as well as the opportunity to leave with an exclusive folder of top business tips from every exhibitor. The show is also hosting three business networking events.

Roger House, Kent chairman of the Federation of Small Businesses, will formally open the show at 4pm on the Monday, May 24. See www.thebeanamazingbusinessbuilder-show.co.uk for more details and to register for free attendance.



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■ BRITAIN has the lowest number of female engineering professionals in Europe and the profession's mouthpiece, Engineering UK, has now pledged to investigate and commission research.

Chief executive Paul Jackson has revealed the percentage of women working as engineering professionals in Spain, Sweden and Italy, and the vast majority of other European countries, was at least twice that of Britain.

In Sweden, for instance, it is 26 per cent compared with just nine per cent here.

Mr Jackson said it was a shocking indictment and added: "It's essential we get behind these figures and understand why."

"What is it that our European neighbours are doing differently? What can we learn from them?"

"We need a step rather than incremental change in the number of women entering the engineering profession in the UK if we are to meet the future global technological challenges that lie ahead."

■ ONE of Kent and the South East's largest construction companies turned to another county-based firm for a relaunch of its intranet, to improve staff communication and help reduce emissions.

Netsite at Chatham's Historic Dockyard was brought in by Rydon, which has 600 staff working across construction, development, maintenance, investment and property management.

It needed a new intranet site to hold as much useful information as possible – including forms, templates and letterheads – be interactive and automatic and fit the construction group's environmental mission to cut use of paper and printed photographs and documents.

It also includes a 'what's new' section to show site additions or changes.

Rydon was founded in 1978 and has a major office at Dartford and more in Sussex and operates several divisions including Rydon Construction, Rydon Homes and Rydon Maintenance.

Netsite was established 12 years ago. Clients include the NHS, Charity Commission, Crewsaver and Historic Dockyard.

■ LOCATE in Kent, the county's inward investment promotion agency, which helps companies find business premises in Kent and Medway, has carried out its own move.

It has downsized its office space – following a new economic and eco-friendly trend in business – and transferred its 13 staff from 2 Kings Hill Avenue to number 35 in the same road. Chief executive Paul Wookey said: "We are pleased to be recommitting to Kings Hill which has been the location for the agency for more than 10 years."

Phone firm's sixth connection



CARSTEN BRINKSCHULTE

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SYNCHRONICA, the Kent-based international mobile phone software and services provider has announced its sixth major contract of 2010.

News of the deal, in Argentina with a company known as The Operator, comes hot on the heels of last week's Business Week Big Interview with the Tunbridge Wells company's CEO, Carsten Brinkschulte.

He explained then how targeting mobile phone take-up in the world's low-end/high-volume emerging markets was paying major dividends in growing the business he relaunched in 2006.

Synchronica's system is particularly cost-effective for budget mobiles and it aims to offers its own

devices soon for as little as \$30 and \$50 a time while still supplying email, internet and even social networking. It already has a BlackBerry-style model plus three-year services deal available overseas for just \$99.

He said of the latest slice of business: "Our fifth contract win in this region [Latin America] clearly demonstrates the attractiveness of Synchronica's Mobile Gateway in offering mass-market data services on the entire mobile phone device range, from high-end to low-end phones."

He added that mobile phone penetration in Argentina is already the highest in the region, but introducing data services to the mass market can deliver a huge increase in business.

The Operator has 13 million subscribers and will launch the new Mobile Gateway service immediately as Synchronica's industry-standard technology requires no additional software to be downloaded to the handset.

Dragons' Den star Meaden's advice

WINNING new customers came top at 53 per cent when NatWest surveyed 1,200 small to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) about advice on growing their business.

The bank responded by calling in Dragons' Den's Deborah Meaden as part of a wider online initiative with entrepreneurs' and business website Smarta to offer free, live and interactive 'webinars' to businesses.

The TV deal-maker and Smarta investor will appear in the first of a NatWest Business Knowledge Webinar series – a live, online video event titled 'How to win new business' – on Wednesday, May 19, at 2.30pm, when she will be joined by account director at M&C Saatchi, Marcus Peffer; and NatWest chairman of small business, Peter Ibbetson.

The webinar will focus on what businesses need to do to win new customers. The topic was even more crucial to the smallest companies and entrepreneurs, with 63 per cent making this their top concern in the NatWest survey.

Viewers will be able to register questions for the speakers before and during the event at www.natwest.com/business-knowledgewebinars.



DEBORAH MEADEN

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Ms Meaden said: "I'm a supporter of Smarta and share their belief in supporting entrepreneurial spirit and encouraging growth through quality advice."

"I'm looking forward to a lively debate and urge businesses to make the most of the session by posing challenging questions."



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'My Business Week ...'

by Paul Wookey, chief executive of Locate in Kent

MONDAY – Morning spent on internal management matters following our office move a few weeks ago. Everything now fully operational and settling in well. Still a few gremlins to sort out, but the team at Locate in Kent spur into action to get things resolved.

Prepare for visit from an overseas investor interested in setting up a major manufacturing facility linked to the wind farm being developed off Kent's coast. We're competing against other locations and are not certain what information we'll be asked to provide until the meeting.

Finally, a series of meetings with a consultant developing our proposition for assisted living, involving South East Health Technologies Alliance and Kent County Council.

TUESDAY – Breakfast meeting with the Kent Economic Board's Business Advisory Group, followed by a meeting with Locate in Kent's grant advisers to discuss ways of expanding the service to local companies and inward investors.

Pre-meeting with partners from government and local authorities, who will be presenting to the overseas company in the afternoon.

The Iceland volcano is spewing ash once again, potentially delaying flights. We put contingency plans in place if times have to change at the last minute.

Visitor arrives safely and meeting lasts all afternoon. Evening reception for the investor, developers and partners. As is often the case, we will not know the company's decision for a few months.

Ferry the visitors to Ebbsfleet to experience benefits of the new fast service back to London.

WEDNESDAY – Lunch reception at Turkey Mill to celebrate the opening of the Orangery extension. Afternoon catching up with emails and meeting bank's regional commercial director to discuss how Locate in Kent could work closer with them to stimulate investment from local companies.



THURSDAY – Travel by high-speed rail to a meeting in London with a corporate affairs company interested in working with us and the Kent Developers' Group (which part-owns Locate in Kent), followed by a meeting with a large national developer with a project in west Kent.

Afternoon of reviewing budgets and project plans with senior management team and making phone calls to partners to catch up on projects. A consultant calls into the office to discuss work being produced for Business Support Kent and Kent County Council.

FRIDAY – Meet our German agents, based in Munich and Dusseldorf, to review plans for the next six months. Morning meeting at the Medway Innovation Centre to discuss a large proposed project in the towns with the developers and Medway Council colleagues.

Afternoon – discuss and agree plans for Germany. After agents leave for the airport, start thinking about next week, which is bound to be completely different.

Lifting the Lydd on Jonathan's new aviation era

On June 11, Britain's new Government must make a major decision: whether a controversial £25 million expansion of Lydd Airport should go ahead or be referred to a public inquiry.

The go-ahead could see work start in late summer on a new terminal building and a runway extension. Opponents say this will harm the eco-systems of Romney Marsh and pose a threat to Dungeness power station. Lydd Airport says the scheme will bring jobs and tourism to a depressed backwater. Another factor is the proven determination of the airport's boss and lifelong aviation fan, Jonathan Gordon, as witnessed by Business Week editor STEVE LOADER.



Jonathan Gordon

YOU are flying solo in a small, single-engine aircraft into the Arctic Circle. The compass is useless so close to magnetic north and GPS is science fiction at this time.

And you can only reach the UK because you have a huge and rather scary drum of extra fuel pressing against you in the cockpit – best not to think about crashing.

It sounds like the trailer for a Hollywood blockbuster, intoned in the style of Orson Welles. But this is what you did some 30 years ago to ferry a small aircraft from America to trade, for a tidy profit, in Europe.

And it is what Lydd airport boss Jonathan Gordon did in his spare time as one of the youngest captains on British Caledonian – then the UK's number two airline after British Airways.

He started flying at just 13, inspired by the story of legless Battle of Britain ace Sir Douglas Bader, and went on to become BCal's youngest resigning captain.

"I saw the world with BCal," he said. "I flew long haul. I flew short haul. But I was always looking for

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more and the airline industry was becoming more militant. I always wanted to fly but I also wanted to succeed in business and the work outside my day job was becoming more successful."

He admitted, though, that aircraft ferrying never quite became routine: "The Canadian authorities realised I knew what I was doing and didn't trouble me after the first few flights, but there were hairy moments, of course."

"At the end of each one though, I had an aeroplane to deliver worth £50,000-100,000 that I could make 10-15 per cent profit on."

It wasn't long before he also started thinking about operating aircraft too – after all, he had a pilot standing by that he could trust with his own life – and so, World Executive Airways was formed.

And then he discovered Lydd Airport, which had flourished in the 1950s and 60s. The well-heeled flocked there to avoid the hoi polloi on cross-Channel ferries, choosing instead to load their cars onto adapted aircraft for a flying start to touring France.

Even now, Lydd's rather ordinary terminal features a picture gallery of VIP visitors such as the Duke of Edinburgh – who opened the airport officially in 1956 – and film stars Diana Dors and Gregory Peck.

But more efficient Channel ferries killed the trade and the airport has



READY FOR TAKE-OFF: Airport sign

suffered mixed fortunes ever since.

Mr Gordon loves a challenge, though – as shown by those Arctic exploits and an ambition to sail solo around the world – and decided Lydd could take off again.

He put together a £3 million buyout deal in 1987 and secured planning permission from Shepway council for a modern 2,100-metre runway but, within months, his City backers sought to scale down their investment after the notorious Black Friday stock market crash.

Mr Gordon then walked out after a fiery clash over their plans to swap the new runway plan for a simple extension.

His stance was vindicated when he was invited to buy back Lydd in 1996. Operations there had been in limbo and, in a desperate bid for income, a series of

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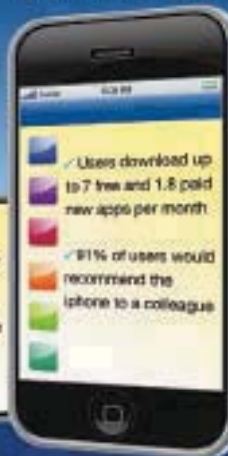
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HIGH AMBITION: Aerial view of Lydd Airport today. **INSET:** Planned new terminal

dance raves had even been staged in the main hangar. After two disastrous fires as well, Mr Gordon bought back the airport for just £1 million and became chief executive.

However, he resigned again in 2005 after a further difference on strategy, only to be reappointed last August to press home Lydd's expansion.

At this point though, the 55-year-old cheerfully admitted to me: "The truth is that, as an airline, you wouldn't want to come to Lydd unless you had to."

However, he then started sketching to show how a staggering 75 per cent of major passenger flights in and out of the UK use a corridor in which Lydd sits like a spider in a web.

With London's Heathrow and Gatwick already crammed with flights, Luton near capacity and Stansted not far behind, you realise that this flying entrepreneur is actually scribbling a treasure map.

As established major airports concentrate on the most lucrative and manageable scheduled flights, the remaining business – short haul and charter – will gravitate outwards and the South East corridor is the obvious location.

Short haul aviation's arch-rival – fast rail – has also just dealt Lydd a good card with HS1 services into Ashford; Mr Gordon is already talking about fast bus shuttles from Ashford International station straight to the new Lydd terminal. He doesn't even worry about rivals to this beneficial location:

"Southend, Manston, Lydd – they all have a pretty similar position and there is more than enough to go around."

But can aviation sustain recent rapid growth in the face of a growing western conscience about its effect on the environment?

Though a figure of hate to his environmentalist opponents on his own doorstep, he insists he is green at heart and supports wind power generation, though forced to object to the Romney Marsh windmill array

simply because it could interfere with Lydd's aviation electronics.

More significantly though, he says British and European consumers' eco-conscience will be swamped when the Far East flexes its financial muscle and uses UK airports en route to fresh destinations – known as 'interlining' in the industry.

For the moment, Lydd's take-off is held on a runway too

short for mainstream airline operation, though Mr Gordon is confident that the airport argued its case for expansion fairly and exhaustively in gaining planning permissions after a stormy seven-hour meeting of Shepway Council.

Looking ahead, he sees a mix of 'big plane' operations there as well as a growing market for smaller craft where, typically, groups of people and businesses buy an aircraft share for as little as £30,000.

This gives them convenience and rapid boarding, free from the onerous security of big airports.

Jonathan Gordon's CV

- 1976 enters aviation industry and becomes BCal's youngest co-pilot
- 1985 forms Gordon-Air – an aircraft trading company operating out of Goodwood, Sussex, and then World Executive Airways
- 1987 – resigns from BCal. Half his time with the airline was as a captain. Puts together a package to buy Lydd, becomes airport MD and moves his own aviation businesses there, too
- 1988 – walks out on Lydd after differences with City backers and takes on fresh challenges as a consultant, launching successful airlines in Africa and India
- 1996 – re-acquires Lydd for £1m
- 1997 – founds Sky Trek Airlines
- 2002 – Sky Trek relaunched as Lydd Air, which currently operates seven executive type aircraft
- 2005 – resigns as Lydd's chief executive
- 2009 – invited to return to top job

RUNWAY SUCCESS: International trading in aircraft has helped fund Mr Gordon's ambitions for Lydd



JONATHAN'S TOP TIPS

• Follow your instincts and don't give up. Before and during his re-acquisition of Lydd in 1996, it suffered two disastrous fires: "My wife has sometimes said: 'Don't you think someone up there is trying to tell you something?'"

• Diversify: "I had bought an airport [the re-acquired Lydd in 1996], but it had no flights coming in, so I founded an airline [Sky Trek] and then a maintenance operation [Skysure Engineering]."

• Beware of 'short-termist' financial backers. He is still incensed about fighting a battle for a runway extension, when Lydd's original backers surrendered a permission for a whole new runway in order to save money.

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Green tourism boost

EFFORTS to develop the Transmanche Green Network (TGN), an EU-funded scheme to boost tourism and environmental management in rural Kent and northern France, are focusing on the Canterbury area.

A three-day familiarisation tour of landmark sites by 25 key players from institutions on both sides of the Channel will take place next week (May 19-21).

Having already produced programmes to highlight Romney Marsh and the Arena environmental learning centre, near Boulogne, the green tourism network group now wants to look at Reculver – with visits to the famous towers and site of St Michael's Church, cliffs and beaches – Wildwood at Herne Common, and Canterbury Cathedral.

The three-day event will include presentations by local experts and workshops to develop educational aspects of the project.

Schemes are already under way for pupils from Shepway and Canterbury to visit the Arena centre, and for school groups from the Boulonnais region to visit Romney Marsh.

Reculver will be brought into the programme as part of a scheme now worth nearly £700,000 across all three areas.

Partners in the TGN project, part-funded by the European Regional Development Fund, are: Kent Wildlife Trust, Canterbury council, Shepway council, the Discover Folkestone, Hythe and Romney Marsh tourism body, and Communauté d'agglomération du Boulonnais, with Boulogne Canterbury Co-operation Organisation (BOSCO+) as co-ordinator.

BOSCO+ manager Lynn Dockar said the Reculver part of the project was a key step in the three-year TGN plan to help rural areas with unique green credentials.

She added: "A media programme has been launched and two-day eco-fairs are to be held in Herne Bay (July 9-10), Boulogne (July 31) and Folkestone (date to be announced). Other events are planned."

Dodd's plea first in MP's in-tray



LONG HAUL: A Dodd's truck on Jubilee Way, Dover. INSET: Gordon Henderson MP

THE new Conservative MP for Sittingbourne and Sheppey has been urged to protect local businesses from foreign competitors.

The call to Gordon Henderson – who replaced Labour's Derek Wyatt after he stood down at the General Election – was made by Dodd's Group, a major transport and logistics operator in the constituency.

Dodd's MD David Pink said he wanted Mr Henderson to call a meeting with himself and other local firms.

"It's a major issue for businesses in the area," he said. "With the price of fuel duty so high it

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is becoming increasingly difficult for many in the logistics industry to compete with rivals in Europe.

"They pay a lot less duty and get government subsidy when the fuel price is high. Foreign hauliers can drive over to Kent with tanks full of cheaper fuel and undercut us.

"I'm sure businesses would much prefer to work with local companies such as ourselves, but it's vital we are given a level playing field.

"The sooner we can sit down and see how Mr Henderson and his team can help address the situation, the better."

Dodd's Group is a family-owned business started more than a century ago. It operates 70 vehicles and employs 100 staff. The company is also a member of the UK's leading pallet-based distribution network Palletforce.

Mr Pink said: "We are always looking at ways to expand and support the local economy, but in this climate we can't do that without the help of politicians.

"We need them to be fighting our corner, so we can grow our business once again and employ more local people."

Polo deal puts fizz into Silver Spring



IN THE MIX: Silver Spring 1870 range

SILVER Spring Soft Drinks of Folkestone has announced a prestigious corporate sponsorship with Guards Polo Club for the 2010 polo season.

It involves the Silver Spring 1870 premium mixers brand, which underlines the company's establishment in 1870 and the use of English heritage recipes in this range, including ginger ale, bitter lemon and lemonade.

Guards Polo Club is regarded as Europe's leading polo club and 1870 – marketed as 'always mixing with the best' – will be alongside big sponsors at the club including Audi, Bose and Ivan the Terrible Vodka.

Silver Spring MD Neill Cotton said: "Our association with Guards Polo Club is just the start of several business partnerships planned for the brand over the next 12 months and we are confident that each will engage with consumers in a direct and successful way."

Optimism

This optimism contrasts sharply with the picture last October, when the historic firm had to be rescued by Privet Capital LLP after two months in administration.

The investment company created a new vehicle, Silver Spring Soft Drinks Limited, saving all 260 jobs and existing businesses including the UK's leading flavoured water brand, Perfectly Clear.

Though mineral water has been a growth market in recent years – expanding faster than alcohol – Silver Spring faces giants including the American Coca-Cola and PepsiCo groups and UK majors, R Whites and Britvic.

The company started making soft drinks at Foord Road, Folkestone, in 1870 when carbonated waters were all the rage. Key to this early success was a spring in use since Roman times and naturally high in calcium.

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The company moved to its current Park Farm premises in 1970.

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Service with a sneer ensures Basil lives on

BASIL Fawltly upsetting German visitors by not mentioning the war and goose-stepping through his hotel's dining room couldn't happen, could it?, **writes Steve Loader.**

But other Fawltly Towers-type excesses and Basil's dictatorial management style are still surprisingly common, as my own travel writing experiences and Business Week research shows.

The top 10 moans and groans are:
• Breakfast. You're on holiday and yet the hotel manager wants you out of bed and on parade early and no later than half an hour after the "breakfast is served time".

Let's have a bit of leeway, please. In fact, it would be nice to be asked: "When do you want breakfast, sir?"

• What's that smell? Even the cleanest bathroom can somehow contrive to have the worst possible pong.

• Minimalist bathrooms. Of course hotel space can be at a premium, so a bathroom will often be bijou, but that makes it all the more important that there is somewhere to hang clothes, towels and stand toiletries.

• Do not disturb... unless you are the cleaner. There you are, trying to sleep off a late night and Mrs Mopp thinks she is the only one allowed to ignore the carefully placed sign.



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- Surfing the web. Hotels need to recognise that we all take the web for granted as a cheap and accessible medium and certainly don't expect to pay extra charges for it, especially on top of a hefty bill.
- And what about those other hidden

charges that sometimes appear on the final bill?

• Small is beautiful. Not only can small independent hotels be cheaper and more customer-focused, but big hotels often expect you to queue for ages to get help on the front desk, often because people are also queuing to call down from their rooms.

• Quaint is not always good – beware of lovely old hotels that have had a refurb that has increased their numbers of rooms. It often means that there hasn't been a clever extension, but large old-style suites have been carved up into smaller rooms and often with poor sound insulation and facilities.

• Nobody is listening. Ever stayed in a hotel a whole week and waited in vain until checking out for the management to rectify the fault reported on day one?

It's as if they know there is little chance of you returning, whether you need to or not. Next customer, please.

• Everest of pillows. One thing hotels are good at is competing to see how many ever larger pillows they can pile on your bed when two normal ones sufficient and you could always ask for more, surely?

Celebrity chef Phillips declares summer of al fresco dining open

TELEVISION chef Richard Phillips has taken to the open air by declaring a summer of al fresco eating.

Not only is he encouraging dining outside at his three Kent venues – Thackeray's in Tunbridge Wells; The Hengist in Aylesford; and Richard Phillips at Chapel Down, near Canterbury – but also launching a range of gourmet picnic hampers.

Most importantly for Kent agriculture is that he will also champion locally grown produce by making personal appearances at farmers' markets throughout the summer, giving cookery demonstrations.

"Kent has the very best produce in the country and our local food and drink really comes to the fore in summer. Our meats, fish, fruits, fine light wines, beers, cider and cheeses make for perfect picnics," said the award-winning star of TV's Daily Cooks' Challenge, Too Many Cooks, Ready Steady Cook and Step Up to the Plate.

"You can really taste summer with quintessentially English open-air dining," Phillips added.

"Richard's support will be a wonderful attraction to shoppers, giving them exciting and delicious fresh ideas on making the best of Kent's finest food," said Benjamin Dent of the Kent Farmers' Market Association.



SUMMER TIME: Richard Phillips (inset) is launching a range of gourmet hampers

Richard Phillips's first appearance will be at West Malling farmers' market with Daniel Hatton, head chef at The Hengist, on Sunday, June 27.

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Timeline

KOS Media sport takes a look at the highlights of all the sporting action from the last 50 years

1960 50 YEARS AGO: THE weather curtailed Kent's County Championship game against Essex at Ilford, with the game abandoned as a draw after only two days play were possible.

The draw seemed the most likely outcome anyway, with Essex failing to make serious inroads into Kent's middle order after declaring on 303 for 9.

The home side briefly harboured hopes of forcing a win when Barry Knight removed both Peter Richardson and Colin Cowdrey early on, leaving Kent in trouble on 11 for 2.

A century stand between Arthur Phebe (62) and Bob Wilson (75) steered Kent out of danger and Stuart Leary (44) and Peter Jones (43) chipped in with useful runs before the latter was removed by England's Trevor Bailey. Kent were 260 for 8 when play was halted for the final time.

1985 25 YEARS AGO: GILLINGHAM supporters travelling to Reading for their Division Three fixture at Elm Park found walls in front of the main stand had been lowered, as part of health and safety measures imposed in the aftermath of the Bradford fire disaster.

The Gills won 2-0 and three days later ended their season on a high note with a 5-1 win over Wigan Athletic, Dave Shearer scoring a hat-trick and Paul Collins and Keith Oakes getting the other goals.

The Friday night game proved a turn off for fans however, with just 2,604 turning up at Priestfield.

2000 10 YEARS AGO: A STUNNING goal five minutes into injury time by Andy Hessenthaler dramatically increased Gillingham's chances of reaching a second consecutive play-off final, as they lost 3-2 to Stoke City in the first leg of the semi-final at the Britannia Stadium.

The Potters were 2-0 up after just eight minutes, the first goal coming after 25 seconds from Arnar Gunnlaugsson, and the second from Kyle Lightbourne.

However, the Gills hit back with a scrappy effort from Ty Gooden on 18 minutes, only for Stoke to restore their lead through Peter Thorne midway through the second-half.

With time running out Hessenthaler cut in from the left wing and produced an astonishing shot that found the top corner.

Stoke manager Guggion Thordarson complained about referee Mike Dean, after it was indicated only four minutes of stoppage time would be played: "I showed him my watch which I stopped at 49 minutes and 56 seconds when they scored... it was a totally unacceptable situation."

UNTIL just a couple of years ago, there was a fundamental problem for anyone interested in taking up competitive cycling in the UK.

If you were inspired by anyone from Tom Simpson to Nicole Cooke and fancied having a go yourself, the traditional route into the sport was to join a club, go on a few group rides and try your hand at time-trialling.

This usually involves riding as fast as you can, on your own, along a trunk road for 10 miles, something that has selective rather than mass appeal.

Actual road racing does take place, but events for absolute beginners are non-existent, meaning even in a third or fourth category race the pace is so infernal it's all the average rider can do to hang on for a few miles, let alone experience the thrill of a breakaway or a bunch sprint.

Cycling was open to accusations of elitism, as the price of a racing bike showed. An amateur team owner once told me: "In the Kent League you'd need to spend two grand just to keep up."

Unlike athletics, with its fun runs and half-marathons, cycling was unable to cater for the enthusiast who enjoyed the sport without being particularly good at it.

SPORTIVES IN KENT

ENTRIES have now closed for today's 100-mile Castle Ride, and you've already missed two of the calendar's highpoints for this year, the unambiguously titled Hell of Ashdown, and The Kentish Killer.

But there are still a number of sportive taking place in the county over the rest of 2010, including:

• May 31:

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That gap in the market was filled by the sportive, an idea imported from across the channel, where the Etape du Tour was first held in 1993, giving club riders the chance to experience a stage of the Tour de France.

If the Etape is now squarely aimed at a higher level of club rider, the more manageable sportives, some as short as 30 miles, have enjoyed rocketing popularity.

As with a half-marathon, the onus is on achieving a personal best rather than beating other competitors.

Start times are staggered, allowing the rider to experience riding in a mini-bunch and either move forward or drop back until they find a group suited to their level.

Road race gives club cyclists a sportive chance



Cycling experienced a surge in interest in Kent after the success of the 2007 Tour de France stage from London to Canterbury, and the Great Britain team's medal-winning performances at the Beijing Olympics a year later. Today over a thousand cyclists will take to Kent's roads for the annual Castle 100 ride, which starts in Tonbridge. FRED ATKINS, reporter and author of the book Tour de Kent, looks at an increasingly popular branch of cycling, the sportive, and compares it to other forms of the sport

POPULAR: The sportive gives cyclists of all standards a chance to compete on the road

In the past year the number of events has swollen drastically, from a handful in 2006, to around 150 last year.

The calendar has become crowded in 2010 to the point that events in Kent are now competing for riders, with confusing results.

A fortnight ago riders following the route for the San Fairy Ann sportive from Marden to Rye and back on Bank Holiday Monday were thrown off course because they fol-

lowed arrows left behind by the organisers of the Tour de Weald, a separate event held 24-hours earlier.

The response from the riders to the 74-mile event was overwhelmingly positive, and there were 198 finishers, double the number attracted by the average time trial and dwarfs the 29 who completed the South East Road Race League's race at Benenden the day before.

The age of the sportive is at hand.

Cash to help unearth track stars

A QUARTET of athletics clubs have formed a partnership as part of a £5 million nationwide programme to develop the sport and nurture future champions.

The Kent London McCain Athletics Network was launched at the County Championships last weekend.

Blackheath & Bromley Harriers, Bexley, Beckenham and Bexley-based Cambridge Harriers will receive £80,000 to fund projects over three years.

Pat Calnan, British League manager at Blackheath & Bromley, is encouraged by the scheme and believes it is in the clubs' interests to work together.

He said: "We are competitive and it would be silly to say we're not. Athletes want to be number one but at the same

time we're all fans of the sport and want to see it develop.

"This is probably the most promising initiative I've seen come along because the clubs are driving it. There is support at a national level and they have put their trust in the clubs to deliver it."

The network will help the clubs pool their resources and use the money to spend on bringing in extra coaches and officials where needed.

The priorities include encouraging new and existing coaches to qualify in under-represented events and recruit and train volunteers.

It will use 365 Athletics Academy Limited, a non-profit organisation set up by former Blackheath members, to help provide the additional support.



PROJECT FUNDING: Blackheath & Bromley



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No small challenge

At the end of the month, Chris Smalling officially completes his move from Fulham to Manchester United. We sent sports reporter TOM HOWARD to Fulham's Motspur Park training ground last week to catch up with the former Maidstone United defender ahead of his transfer to Old Trafford

TWO years ago he was helping Maidstone United avoid relegation, now Chris Smalling faces the biggest challenge of his fledgling career by proving himself worthy of his multi-million pound price tag at Manchester United next season.

The 20-year-old from Walderslade in Medway has experienced a fairytale rise from non-league football with Ryman Premier side Maidstone to one of world's biggest football clubs. He admits the speed of the move up the football pyramid came as a shock, but says that will soon be forgotten in a transfer which could define his career.

The centre-back's impressive display's for Fulham this season was enough to seriously catch the attention of a host of managers including Arsene Wenger at Arsenal and Manchester United boss Sir Alex Ferguson.

In January, the defender, who left Maidstone for Fulham in 2008, signed for the former Premier League champions for a fee in the region of £12 million.

The England under-21 international, who is

officially at Manchester United at the end of the month, has stayed in regular contact with Ferguson during the last four months. With only 11 Premier League appearances to his name, he's not expecting an easy ride at Old Trafford, going toe-to-toe with Nemanja Vidic and Rio Ferdinand in the heart of the United defence, but is relishing the challenge.

He said: "There are no guarantees of a first-team place as United are a world-class team challenging for titles every year. I've got a lot of work to do in terms of my development, but hopefully I can have a good pre-season with them. Looking at all the figures that have been banded about by the media for the transfer, it was quite shocking. But now I have to show why they have put that kind of faith in me."

Spotlight

"Everything has moved so fast this season. I'm still pinching myself. I think the move could set me up for the rest of my career and I hope I can go there and forge a successful career. I could go anywhere from there."

The former Chatham Grammar schoolboy has put himself directly in the spotlight as one of the nation's brightest young football talents and with expectations levels set to skyrocket

next season, he is confident he can cope with the pressure.

He said: "It's very strange to be in the spotlight. I've dealt with pressure at Fulham but this is going to be a different type of pressure. I think the way to deal with it is to keep playing my game, which has got me to this position in my career."

Wednesday's Europa League final defeat to Atletico Madrid was his final involvement with Fulham before he joins United and represented another incredible milestone in his short football career, despite not playing.

Although his future lies at Old Trafford, he admitted his departure from Fulham will be tinged with sadness after two years which saw him come through the reserves and into the first-team. He puts a lot of his success down to Cottagers boss Roy Hodgson - himself a former Maidstone player.

Smalling said: "There is some sadness to be leaving the club because everything has gone really well over the last two years."

"Roy has been very instrumental ever since the first day I walked through the door. He's helped me immensely during my time, as have all the coaches at the club. I wouldn't be in the position I am in today without their help."

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MOVING ON: Chris Smalling prepares to go to Manchester United at the end of the month



ATHLETICS ROUND-UP

Talent blooms at Julie Rose

THE Julie Rose Stadium welcomed hundreds of athletes for the annual Kent County Athletics Championship last weekend.

In the senior men's competition, Kent AC athlete Conrad Williams completed an impressive sprint double by smashing two career personal bests.

The 28-year-old clocked 10.73 seconds in the 100-metres and posted a time of 21.28 seconds, wind assisted, in the 200m.

Tonbridge Athletic Club dominated the 1500m, locking out the top three positions. In a closely fought race, Steven Fennell led home Ben Wiffen and Sam Bradley, with the trio separated by just four seconds.

Blackheath & Bromley Harriers enjoyed success in the pole vault with a win for Scott Huggins and Ashford's Matthew Morsia obliterated the field in the long jump.

The senior women's scene was dominated by Blackheath & Bromley, with Shaunagh Brown winning discus, shot put and the hammer.

Liz Hughes and Rachel Arnheim finished first and second respectively in the pole vault, while Elaine Murty clinched a middle distance double in the 800m and 1500m.

Hayley Nouch claimed top honours in the triple jump.



Picture: ADY KERRY

SPRINT DOUBLE: Conrad Williams

BRIGHT PROSPECT: Matt Haines
Picture: ADY KERRY



Haines set to go pro

HIGHLY-RATED golfer Matt Haines will turn professional at next week's Mugello Tuscany Open after impressing for several years on the amateur circuit.

The 20-year-old is one of Britain's brightest young prospects and has turned professional with the players' management group American Hambric Sports, who confirmed he will have eight starts on the European Challenge Tour this season.

Turning professional has been the Rochester & Cobham Park golfer's aim and next week's tournament in Italy will be a pivotal moment in his career.

Haines has been at the forefront of the British amateur game earning numerous call ups to the England squad and featuring in Great Britain & Northern Ireland's defeated Walker Cup side last September. After winning some of the amateur game's biggest competitions, turning professional was the next logical step for the former world amateur number 10.

Daish calls for a sense of urgency over Fleet budget

EBBSFLEET United manager Liam Daish has called for urgency and ambition as he looks to plan the club's immediate return to the Blue Square Premier.

Talks with chairman Duncan Holt have yet to determine Daish's playing budget for next season and the Ebbsfleet boss is eager to avoid the uncertainty of last year, when the hastily-assembled squad struggled to compete until December.

Daish warned fans that life in Blue Square South will be tough and admitted the club may face darker days unless a collective push for promotion can be put together.

"I want everyone to show real ambition," he said. "If we think we're going to go into this league and coast it, then we're in for a real shock. We've got to go in with a tough mentality, wanting to get back to where we were last year, because if we don't, things could get even worse."

Ebbsfleet supporters and MyFootballClub members have already raised more than £10,000 through the 'Adopt a Player' scheme, designed to help pay players' wages and ease the

financial burden at Stonebridge Road.

Daish praised their continued support but re-iterated the need to aim high if the Fleet are to arrest their slide and challenge at the right end of the division next season.

He said: "You can't plan all through pre-season thinking you've got one budget - which last year was very low - and then suddenly other things happen. Then maybe you've signed players and think 'if I'd known that at that stage, I might not have signed him'."



AMBITION: Ebbsfleet United manager Liam Daish

Picture: DAVE PLUMB

Picture: ADY KERRY



NO THANKS: Mark Stimson clapped the supporters after his last game but, ironically, it only upset them further

Stimson admits dire away form was his undoing

By GILLS REPORTER
DAVID PRITCHARD

STANDING on the touchline in the final minutes at Wycombe last weekend, Mark Stimson must have wondered how exactly it had all come to this.

As a player and manager who had always looked to make up for any weaknesses through hard work and desire, his side's feeble performance at Wycombe must have chilled him to the core.

His final words in the press conference hinted at someone running out of ideas to solve the club's Achilles heel – how to win away from Priestfield: “I know it wasn't the best before I came, but I've certainly not improved that because my away record this season is awful.”

So, how will his 30-month stay be remembered? Not fondly by the majority of fans, many of whom never seemed able or willing to shake off the fact he came from non-league.

It was a strange paradox that someone who was so accommodating with the press would at times go out of his way to provoke supporters.

He never really seemed willing to build bridges, but to a degree it was understandable following some of the verbal abuse he suffered, which was well beyond the norm.

Stimson will always be viewed differently by the majority of regulars in the press box. He never once ducked a question and was always generous with his time, even after the most miserable of defeats.

Although Stimson leaves with the club again in turmoil, it would be incorrect to say he had brought the Gills full circle. While those he fell out with did not last long, the squad is more economical and younger than the one he inherited.

In Simeon Jackson, Curtis Weston and Andy Barcham, three Stimson signings, there is the potential to either benefit from their best years or sell on for a healthy profit.

Now the search is on for a successor. Although the end of season gives the impression there is plenty of time to play with, the clock is ticking.

Other clubs are busy planning for the new season and talking to targets, so a swift appointment is paramount to avoid playing catch-up.

Whoever comes in, the pressure for an immediate return to League One will be high.

The waiting game

Gills chief in no hurry to appoint Stimson successor

GILLINGHAM chairman Paul Scally will not rush the appointment of Mark Stimson's successor, with no clear idea at this stage when interviews for the job will begin, *writes David Pritchard*.

The only deadline the Priestfield chief is working towards is August 6, the day before the start of the new season. It is highly unlikely to take quite so long, with a more realistic timescale thought to be the last week of June when the players are expecting to return for pre-season training.

Applications began arriving this week for what Scally described as a “very attractive” position. He was ruling nothing in or out and indicated the experience with Stimson had not put him off appointing another manager from a non-league club.

The dreadful performance in the 3-0 loss at Wycombe last weekend, which helped seal the club's relegation, proved the difference for Scally. He had always supported Stimson, even under intense pressure from supporters following defeat to Tranmere in February.

When asked whether Stimson would still be in charge whatever the result at Wycombe, Scally told Kent on Sunday last week: “Yes, of course he is.” But this week when asked what had changed and if the result at Wycombe was the final straw, he said: “Don't ask me stupid questions.”

As for the players, Scally disagreed with

Hess won't apply

ANDY Hessenthaler has distanced himself from speculation he is in the running to return as Gillingham manager, but was shrewd enough not to completely rule himself out.

The 44-year-old spent four years as player/manager at Priestfield before resigning in 2004, but is still extremely popular with the club's fans. He is always one of the first names mentioned when the manager's job becomes vacant and has again been linked this week by supporters excited by the thought of him also bringing back another favourite, Nicky Southall.

“I'm always going to be linked the job because I'm an ex-player and ex-manager and have been at the club for a long time,” he said. “As far as I'm concerned I have got a job to do at Dover and haven't had any contact from Gillingham.”



Stimson's view the squad needs a major overhaul to be competitive next season.

He said: “In my opinion it doesn't need a clear-out. We need some fresh people in and a few out, but it doesn't need a clear-out.”

“There's nothing much wrong with the



SEARCH: Gills chairman Paul Scally has already received applications for the job after Mark Stimson's (right) departure

squad, a team that only loses three games all season at home is not a bad team.

“It depends on the new manager. I'm sure they'd all like to stay, but it's not my decision.”

It took almost two months to unveil Stimson in November, 2007, following Ronnie Jepson's departure and a similar period of uncertainty could lead to problems.

There is already the potential of losing key members of the squad, who are now out of contract. A group of 14 players were due for negotiations this week, but with no manager in place they had to be officially released before the Gills submitted a retained list yesterday.

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Full extent of relegation hits home



RELEGATED: Players and captain Barry Fuller (far right) after the Wycombe defeat

THE Gillingham players were unprepared for relegation and feel responsible for Mark Stimson's departure, according to skipper Barry Fuller.

The full-back watched the defeat at Wycombe from the sidelines due to injury and was as shocked as anyone with the limp performance, which sealed the club's relegation back to League Two.

Fuller met up with the rest of the squad on Tuesday, where Stimson spoke and wished his former players well for the future. The 25-year-old admitted relegation had taken the players by surprise and they bore some of the blame for what happened.

He said: “The boys were distraught. It was something we weren't really prepared for, we were quite confident we could do the job, but on the day the performance wasn't good enough.”

“It's the old cliché that if players could get the sack maybe most of us would've gone.”

“The players feel they have let [Stimson] down because he showed a lot of faith in a lot of the people there – 95 per cent of them he brought in. He believed they were good enough to do the job.”

The Ashford-born defender was one of 14 out-of-contract players officially released by the club on Tuesday. A two-year deal was offered in the spring but he was not entirely happy with the terms.

Fuller is happy to wait for the resumption of talks when a new manager is appointed, but acknowledged his future is uncertain.

He said: “We have bills to pay and families to support. If the manager comes in and doesn't fancy you, then you're in a difficult position. Every player wants something sorted as quickly as possible.”

Fans call for experienced campaigner

AFTER taking a gamble on an up-and-coming manager in Mark Stimson, Gillingham supporters are keen to see a more experienced figure become his successor.

An impressive non-league CV which included three successive FA Trophy victories helped Stimson land the Gills job in November, 2007.

But after a second relegation in three seasons, supporters are impatient for stability. Alan Liptrott, co-editor of a Gillingham fan site, believes the Priestfield faithful would rather see an established name appointed.

He said: “I believe the idea of getting someone out of non-league football can work but I'd like a tried-and-tested manager, like Peter Jackson [former Huddersfield and Lincoln boss].”

“I'd like to get someone in at this time who has had experience in the Football League and been successful.”

Whether the finances are available to attract a manager with a proven track record remains to be seen.

Whoever the new manager is, he will hope to have better relations with the club's supporters than his predecessor. A section of the Gills fans never warmed to Stimson and as time wore on his critics grew more vocal.

Liptrott feels while there were some positives from the last two-and-a-half seasons, Stimson did not help himself.

He said: “I have to say, he's never been popular since the day he arrived.”

“I think he'll stand out for certain things. He brought in a different way of football, if we didn't have the quality he



CRYING GAME: A young Gills fan can't hide his emotions after the club's drop wanted the players to be able to run for 90 minutes.

“If players did not put a shift in he would have them out. He took us to Wembley and got us promoted, so it wasn't all bad.”

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ON THE WAY: Malinga Bandara

Spitfires not in the market for overseas star

WHILE counties that also double up as Test match grounds continue to name high-profile overseas cricketers for their Friends Provident t20 campaigns, the Kent Spitfires will not be adding any more names to their squad for next month's tournament.

Lancashire this week signed former Pakistan captain Shoaib Malik for the 20-over event, and the batsman will join Aussie Simon Katich and West Indian Shivnarine Chandernagopal at the Red Rose county.

With rules allowing counties to sign as many as four overseas players for the competition, sides will be full of cricketers with international experience this season.

Kent have mulled over the option of bringing another overseas player to add to Sri Lankan Malinga Bandara, but have decided against making any further signings.

Head coach Paul Farbrace said: "I don't think we will sign anyone else now and I think we will have just Bandara as our overseas player and that will be it for the Twenty20 period. That's why it's important we get the likes of [Robbie] Joseph and [Dewald] Nel back fighting fit for the Twenty20 period because we do need someone to help Azhar Mahmood and Simon Cook in terms of Twenty20 bowling. We need all our bowlers fresh and raring to go because it's a tough tournament, but is one we are capable of winning with the batting we have got."

Leg-spinner Bandara will arrive in the county on May 23 and take over from Makhaya Ntini as Kent's overseas player for the second-half of the summer. The club could play him in a second-team game against Sussex, two days after he arrives.

Kent chief's warning over 'franchise' idea

KENT Cricket Club chief executive Jamie Clifford has voiced his concerns about future plans to set up a franchise-based Twenty20 competition – similar to the money-spinning Indian Premier League.

The England and Wales Cricket Board have sent counties a consultation document putting forward five suggestions for the future structure of the English domestic game, none of which includes keeping the current format.

One idea mooted is for several smaller clubs, such as Kent, pooling their resources with Test match grounds like Surrey's Brit Oval to form a Twenty20 franchise team.

It's not a popular concept for counties that do not host Test matches, who are already finding making ends meet tough.

This week, Somerset chief executive Richard Gould reacted angrily to a proposal to combine with Gloucestershire and Glamorgan, saying: "We feel the Test match-hosting grounds are trying to sell us down the Swanee."

At Kent the proposal has also not gone down particularly favourably, with new chief executive Jamie Clifford admitting it was a complex issue.

He told Kent on Sunday: "The future structure is a big one and it would be wrong to underestimate it."

"The proposals put forward present inevitable change, which includes quite a dramatic change to the County Championship – such as a three-divisional structure."

"I just think that as a club with a very proud history, we have to respond very carefully. I

Sports editor GLENN PEARSON talks to new Kent chief executive Jamie Clifford, who says plans for a new Twenty20 league has polarised opinion among clubs as it threatens to change the face of county cricket



Picture: ADY KERRY

COMPLEX ISSUE: Jamie Clifford is unsure over proposals for a franchise-led Twenty20 league

don't know what the actual structure might be, but it would be a Twenty20 competition focused around Test match grounds which would have very big consequences for county cricket clubs like us.

"It would be an English-based version of the Indian Premier League if you like. I think we have to be really careful as to where something like that might head."

It's a big issue that Clifford, seven weeks into having taken the job as chief executive on a permanent basis, will have to manage, as has been dealing with disgruntled Kent supporters unhappy with a hike in prices to watch county cricket.

Prices for those paying on the gate have gone up to £25 for limited overs cricket and £20 a day for the County Championship. While some have balked at those prices, Clifford claims many have decided to sign up for full membership at £200 as a more cost effective way of watching Kent.

He said: "I have spoken to quite a lot of people and spent some time on the gate during the Clydesdale Bank 40 game against Warwickshire – prices have gone up and we can't get away from that."

"One thing it has done is make membership more attractive. It's amazing how many people have come in and decided to become a member on the strength of where the prices are at."

"You compare new membership and gate price – you can very quickly get value."

Clifford also revealed plans to shoot scenes from a Bollywood movie at the St Lawrence Ground in the next couple of months are "in the pipeline" and will net the club some much-needed income.

Farby denies Joseph will miss season



Picture: ADY KERRY

RECOVERY: Robbie Joseph

KENT head coach Paul Farbrace has refuted claims fast bowler Robbie Joseph will not play first-class cricket this season.

Joseph has been working his way back to match fitness following shoulder surgery at the end of last season. And despite a couple of outings in the 2nd XI this summer, he is still believed to be at least two weeks away from being available for the first-team.

This week there has been speculation the 28-year-old may not return at all this season, but that view is wide of the mark according to Farbrace, who believes the county's quickest bowler will be back

towards the end of the month.

"He will come back definitely and hopefully sooner rather than later," the Kent coach said. "He is bowling and had an injection in his shoulder last week because there was a build up of fluid. It was a big operation he had last year and I think the fact he has not played any cricket since June last year shows we are trying to be cautious with him."

"There is always an element of confidence with any cricketer when they have had an operation as serious as his, so it's a case of having to win a couple of battles mentally and when he does that he will be fine."

"It's frustrating because the wick-

ets we have played on – the one at Old Trafford and the two at Canterbury – had bounce in them and the way he bowls, it would have been frightening."

Promising left-arm seamer Ashley Shaw, who signed from minor counties side Cheshire at the start of the season, is having a 10-day rest as his body comes to terms with the rigours of bowling almost every day, but will be available for the second-team from next week.

The county's other signing, Dewald Nel, will start bowling next week as he bids to overcome a back injury that has plagued him since his move.

Outside chance of a fight

THE prospect of heavyweight boxing coming to a Kent League football club this summer grew closer after a venue was given the green light this week.

Officials from the British Boxing Board of Control visited Lord'swood's Martyn Grove in Medway on Tuesday.

After inspecting the ground's capability of staging a boxing event, looking at a wide range of factors from security to crowd control, the board gave their approval.

The intention is for the club to put up a covered ring in the centre circle for the evening, which is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 3. It is hoped the presence of Chatham-born heavyweight Tom

Dallas on a seven or eight fight bill would draw as many as 2,000 spectators.

The idea came about through a casual chat between Lord'swood manager Jason Lillis and Dallas several months ago.

Lillis said: "It just came up in conversation. I said it'd be great to have him fight locally and he was up for it. I think it would be the first time something like this had happened, there's been quite a lot of interest about it already."

Mark Rowe, Dallas' manager, is hopeful several local fighters would be interested in taking part.

He said: "Obviously I'd like to fill the bill with boxers from Kent. We've got quite a few down here."

"We've got my heavyweight, Tom Dallas from Chatham, the Woolford brothers, Scott and Vinny, from Ramsgate, Freddy Luke [West Kingsdown], Gavin Tait [Sheerness], and Martin Welsh [Swanley]. It all depends on who is available."

"If it's done the right way, it could be a fantastic event."

There are still a lot of issues which still need to be agreed on before the event could go ahead, but the club are optimistic.

If it went ahead any profits would be welcome to Lord'swood, who finished six points adrift at the bottom of the Kent League this season.



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FIGHT SITE: Tom Dallas (right) could line up at Martyn Grove

NAMES IN FRAME FOR GILLS VACANCY

Candidates linked to manager's job as relegated club starts preparing for life after Stimson



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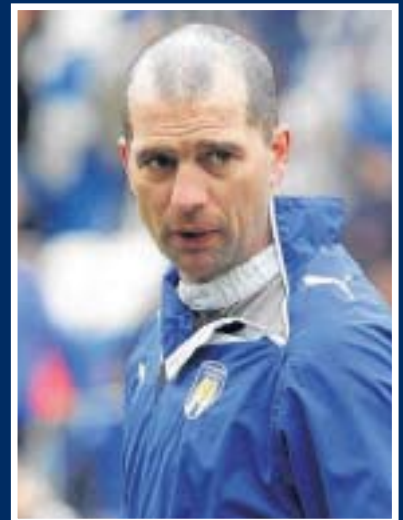
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APPLICANTS: (l-r) Martin Allen is believed to have applied, Mark Robson would be popular with players, as would ex-Gill Joe Dunne

SPECULATION on who will become the next Gillingham manager is well under way, with a wide variety of candidates linked to the post.

Mark Stimson left Priestfield on Monday by mutual agreement following the club's relegation back to League Two last weekend. Immediately a host of names were being mentioned in connection with the job, while chairman Paul Scally has reportedly received more than 30 applications for the hot seat.

Martin Allen has reportedly applied for the vacancy, but when contacted by Kent on Sunday the former Brentford and MK Dons boss declined to comment on the speculation – as did Liam Daish, the Ebbsfleet United manager.

Micky Adams, who began his playing career at Gillingham, is among supporters' favoured names but has definitely not applied for the role, according to his employers Port Vale.

Former Gills defender and Colchester coach Joe Dunne would be another popular appointment, while Paul Simpson and Peter Jackson are both available and have experience of League Two. None of the trio have formally commented on the position.

Ian Hendon, who was sacked by Barnet last month, has not applied but did not rule it out once negotiations over the remainder of his contract at Underhill had concluded.

Unlikely

He said: "It's very difficult to say at the moment as I have got a few things to sort out at Barnet. I have to sit on the fence at the moment but I would like to get back into Football League management."

One unlikely candidate for the post is Dave Penney, who left Oldham Athletic earlier this month. The former Doncaster and Darlington boss is unlikely to be ready to look for another position in time for Gillingham.

He said: "I certainly haven't applied – I've been out of Oldham seven days so I haven't thought about any other jobs. Some man-

agers fall out of love with the game, so I'll have to see if I'm missing the game come July and August."

There was an obvious chance to promote from within, with first-team coach Mark Robson well known to have designs on becoming a number one. After two seasons at Gillingham he would be a popular choice with the players, according to skipper Barry Fuller, who worked under him at Charlton.

He said: "I don't think many of the boys would be unhappy if he came in, he knows how the club works."

The main stumbling block is whether Robson is seen as part of Stimson's regime. His best chance was likely to be with a swift appointment this week, but instead his contract was terminated by mutual consent, which would appear to rule him out.

Andy Hessenthaler would top the wish-list for most Gills supporters, but the Dover boss said he wouldn't be applying for the job – although didn't rule out accepting a return to Priestfield should he be approached.

• **For the full story on Stimson's departure, turn to page 102.**

Draw highlights Kent's spin shortcomings

KENT'S lack of a frontline spinner was never more apparent than at Essex as they were forced to settle for a draw at Chelmsford in their latest LV= County Championship game, **writes Glenn Pearson.**

It means Rob Key's side are yet to register a win in any of their eight outings so far this summer, although the draw will go some way to softening the blow of the previous week's demoralising last day defeat to Warwickshire at Canterbury.

Set 338 to win on the last day, Essex reached 254 for 4, 84 runs short before the captains shook hands on a draw at stumps on Thursday evening.

Having not gone in with a

genuine frontline spinner since James Tredwell departed to the West Indies with England in the ICC World Twenty20, Kent have had to ask their depleted seam attack to take 20 wickets in the championship.

Head coach Paul Farbrace is looking forward to Tredwell's return and the arrival of overseas signing, leg-spinner Malinga Bandara on May 23, who he believes will help change Kent's fortunes.

"At Canterbury with the wicket being dry and turning, when we do have Bandara and Tredwell together, you could go two or three games with back-to-back wins and race yourself up the table," he said. "We have had a conversation as a team about how we are playing and we're not a million miles away from where we want to be." The batting unit has at least showed signs it had recovered from the hangover of the shock last day defeat to Warwickshire, with

Sam Northeast registering half-centuries in both innings at Chelmsford and Darren Stevens continuing his superb early season form with a knock of 100 in the first innings.

Kent will be wishing they could wheel Pakistan all-rounder Azhar Mahmood (pictured) out for every championship game after he took 5 for 63 in the first innings and scored 64, but it's likely his body won't stand up to the rigours of playing in the championship game against Durham at Canterbury on Monday.

Kent have a chance to record their first win in the Clydesdale Bank 40 clash with Warwickshire at Edgbaston today.



Picture: ADY KERRY